

Auditing Procedures Report V1.04

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Unit Name	Township of Mastodon	County	IRON	Type	TOWNSHIP	MuniCode	36-1-060
Opinion Date-Use Calendar	Jul 14, 2008	Audit Submitted-Use Calendar	Jul 15, 2008	Fiscal Year-Use Drop List	2008		

If a local unit of government (authorities & commissions included) is operating within the boundaries of the audited entity and is NOT included in this or any other audit report, nor do they obtain a stand-alone audit, enclose the name(s), address(es), and a description(s) of the authority and/or commission.

Place a check next to each "Yes" or non-applicable question below. Questions left unmarked should be those you wish to answer "No".

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	1. Are all required component units/funds/agencies of the local unit included in the financial statements and/or disclosed in the reporting entity notes to the financial statements?
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	2. Does the local unit have a positive fund balance in all of its unreserved fund balances/unrestricted net assets?
<input type="checkbox"/>	3. Were the local unit's actual expenditures within the amounts authorized in the budget?
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	4. Is this unit in compliance with the Uniform Chart of Accounts issued by the Department of Treasury?
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	5. Did the local unit adopt a budget for all required funds?
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	6. Was a public hearing on the budget held in accordance with State statute?
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	7. Is the local unit in compliance with the Revised Municipal Finance Act, an order issued under the Emergency Municipal Loan Act, and other guidance as issued by the Local Audit and Finance Division?
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	8. Has the local unit distributed tax revenues, that were collected for another taxing unit, timely as required by the general property tax act?
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	9. Do all deposits/investments comply with statutory requirements including the adoption of an investment policy?
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	10. Is the local unit free of illegal or unauthorized expenditures that came to your attention as defined in the Bulletin for Audits of Local Units of Government in Michigan, as revised (see Appendix H of Bulletin.)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	11. Is the unit free of any indications of fraud or illegal acts that came to your attention during the course of audit that have not been previously communicated to the Local Audit and Finance Division? (If there is such activity, please submit a separate report under separate cover.)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	12. Is the local unit free of repeated reported deficiencies from previous years?
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	13. Is the audit opinion unqualified?
	14. If not, what type of opinion is it? <input type="text" value="NA"/>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	15. Has the local unit complied with GASB 34 and other generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP)?
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	16. Has the board or council approved all disbursements prior to payment as required by charter or statute?
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	17. To your knowledge, were the bank reconciliations that were reviewed performed timely?
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	18. Are there reported deficiencies?
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	19. If so, was it attached to the audit report?

General Fund Revenue:	\$ 263,684.00
General Fund Expenditure:	\$ 167,249.00
Major Fund Deficit Amount:	\$ 0.00

General Fund Balance:	\$ 525,944.00
Governmental Activities Long-Term Debt (see instructions):	\$ 276,000.00

We affirm that we are certified public accountants (CPA) licensed to practice in Michigan. We further affirm the above responses have been disclosed in the financial statements, including the notes, or in the Management Letter (Reported deviations).

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TOWNSHIP OF MASTODON

**Financial Report
with Supplemental Information
Prepared in Accordance with GASB 34**

March 31, 2008

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

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Governing Board
Township of Mastodon
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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, the aggregate discretely presented component unit, each major fund, and aggregate remaining fund information of the **Township of Mastodon**, as of and for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2008, which collectively comprise the Township's basic financial statements as listed in the Table of Contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the **Township of Mastodon's** management. Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit.

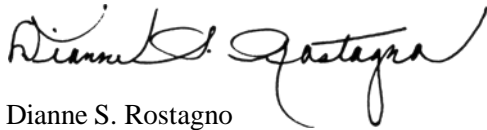
We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States of America, and with the standards prescribed by the State Treasurer. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by the Governing Board, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinions.

In our opinions, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of governmental activities, the business-type activities, the aggregate discretely presented component unit, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the **Township of Mastodon**, at March 31, 2008, and the respective changes in financial position and cash flows thereof for the fiscal year then ended, in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles in the United States of America.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated July 14, 2008, on our consideration of the **Township of Mastodon's** internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* and should be read in conjunction with this report in considering the results of our audit.

The management's discussion and analysis on pages 8 through 20 and the budgetary comparison information are not required parts of the basic financial statements but are supplementary information required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board and by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. We have applied certain limited procedures, which consisted principally of the inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the required supplemental information. However, we did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the **Township of Mastodon**'s basic financial statements. The combining and individual fund financial statements are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. The combining and individual fund financial statements have been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of basic financial statements and, in our opinion, are fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Dianne S. Rostagno". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large, sweeping flourish at the end.

Dianne S. Rostagno
DS ROSTAGNO, CPA, P.C.

July 14, 2008

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

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The management of the Township of Mastodon provides this narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of the Township of Mastodon for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2008. As readers, you are encouraged to read this discussion and analysis in conjunction with the Township's financial statement information included in this report.

Overview of the Financial Statements

This discussion and analysis is intended to serve as an introduction to the Township's basic financial statements. The financial section of this report includes management's discussion and analysis, the basic financial statements, and required supplementary information. The basic financial statements are comprised of three components: 1) government-wide financial statements, 2) fund financial statements, and 3) notes to the financial statements. This report also contains other supplementary information in addition to the basic financial statements themselves.

Government-wide financial statements

The government-wide financial statements are designed to provide readers with a broad overview of the Township's finances, in a manner similar to a private-sector business.

The Statement of Net Assets presents information on all of the Township's assets and liabilities, with the difference between the two reported as net assets. Over time, increases or decreases in net assets may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial position of the Township is improving or deteriorating.

The Statement of Activities presents information showing how the government's net assets changed during the most recent fiscal year. All changes in net assets are reported as soon as the underlying event giving rise to the change occurs, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Thus, revenues and expenses are reported in this statement for some items that will only result in cash flows in future fiscal periods.

Both of the government-wide financial statements distinguish functions of the Township that are mainly supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues (governmental activities) from other functions that are intended to recover all or a significant portion of their cost through user fees and charges (business-type activities). The governmental activities of the Township include legislative, general government, Township property, public safety, public works, and parks and recreation. The business-type activity of the Township is the Water Utility service.

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The government-wide financial statements include not only the Township itself (known as the primary government), but also the following legally separate component unit for which the Township is financially accountable: Alpha Mastodon Township Fire Department. Financial information for the component unit is reported separately from the financial information presented for the primary government.

Fund Financial Statements

The Township, like other state and local governments, uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements. A fund is a grouping of related accounts used to maintain control over resources that have been segregated for specific activities or objectives. In the basic financial statements, the emphasis of the fund financial statements is on major funds. All of the funds of the Township can be divided into three categories: governmental funds, proprietary funds, and fiduciary funds.

Governmental Funds

Governmental Funds are used to account for essentially the same functions reported as governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. However, unlike the government-wide financial statements, governmental fund financial statements focus on near-term inflows and outflows of spend-able resources, as well as on balances of spend-able resources available at the end of the fiscal year. This information may be useful in evaluating the Township's near-term financing requirements.

Because the focus of governmental funds is narrower than that of the government-wide financial statements, it is useful to compare the information presented for governmental funds with similar information presented for governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. In order to provide the reader with information to better understand the long-term impact of the government's near-term financing decisions, a reconciliation between the government-wide financial statements is included as part of the basic financial statements.

The Township maintains five governmental funds. Information is presented separately in the governmental fund balance sheet and governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balance for the general, road, and capital projects funds, all of which are considered major funds. The Liquor Law Enforcement and Debt Service Funds are considered non-major governmental funds. Individual fund data for each fund is presented separately in the "Other Supplementary Information" section of this report.

The Township adopts an annual budget for its general and other governmental funds. To demonstrate compliance with this budget, a budgetary comparison statement has been provided for the general and major special revenue funds, and is included in the "Required Supplementary Information" section of this document.

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Proprietary Funds

Proprietary Funds provide services for which the Township charges customers a fee. The Township has only one type of proprietary fund - an enterprise fund. The enterprise fund of the Township is used to report the same functions as the business-type activities in the government-wide financial statements. The Water Utility Fund is presented separately in both the government-wide financial statements and the fund financial statements and is considered a major fund. Enterprise funds are used to account for operations very similar to business enterprises, where the intent of the governing body is that the cost of providing goods or services to the general public on a continuing basis be financed or recovered primarily through user charges.

Fiduciary Funds

Fiduciary funds are used to account for resources held for the benefit of parties outside the government. The fiduciary fund for the Township is the Tax Collection Fund. Fiduciary funds are not included in the government-wide financial statements because the resources of those funds are not available to support the Township's own programs. This fund is presented separately in the fund financial statements section of the basic financial statements.

Notes to the Financial Statements

Notes to the financial statements are included in the basic financial statements, and provide additional information that is essential for a full understanding of the data provided in the government-wide and the fund financial statements.

Supplementary Information

Required supplementary information follows the basic financial statements, and includes budgetary comparison schedules for the General Fund and the Township's major special revenue funds as presented in the governmental fund financial statements.

A separate financial statement for the Township's non-major governmental funds is also included in the Other Supplementary Information section of this document.

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Government-wide Financial Analysis

In time, net assets of a governmental entity may serve as a useful indicator of the government's financial position. In the case of the Township, assets exceeded liabilities by \$ 1,276,229 at March 31.

By far, the largest portion of the Township's net assets (approximately 52%) is held in the form of cash and cash equivalents. In addition, a substantial percentage (approximately 46%) of the total net assets are in the form of capital assets. These capital assets are used to provide services to citizens and are not available for future spending. At March 31, 2008, the Township reported \$ 701,269 in net capital assets.

External restrictions of the Township's net assets represent resources subject to existing external obligations or programmatic control on future use. The remaining balance of unrestricted net assets of \$525,944 may be used to meet the Township's ongoing obligations to citizens and creditors.

Total net assets in excess of liabilities at March 31 for the governmental activities and business-type activities were \$1,268,896 and \$7,333, respectively.

Summary of Net Assets

The following summarizes the comparative net assets at fiscal years ended March 31, 2008 and March 31, 2007:

	March 31, 2008		
	Primary Government		
	Governmental	Business-type	Total
	Activities	Activities	
<u>Assets</u>			
Current and other assets	\$ 843,627	\$ 7658	\$ 851285
Capital assets, net	<u>701269</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>701269</u>
Total Assets	\$ 1544896	\$ 7658	\$ 1552554

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Government-wide Financial Analysis

	March 31, 2008		
	Primary Government		
	Governmental Activities	Business-type Activities	Total
<u>Liabilities</u>			
Long-term liabilities	\$ 271000	\$ 0	\$ 271000
Other liabilities	<u>5000</u>	<u>325</u>	<u>5325</u>
Total Liabilities	\$ 276000	\$ 325	\$ 276325
<u>Net Assets</u>			
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	425269	0	425269
Restricted	317683	7333	325016
Unrestricted	<u>525944</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>525944</u>
Total Net Assets	\$ 1268896	\$ 7333	\$ 1276229

	March 31, 2007		
	Primary Government		
	Governmental Activities	Business-type Activities	Total
<u>Assets</u>			
Current and other assets	\$ 783427	\$ 7125	\$ 790552
Capital assets, net	<u>339965</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>339965</u>
Total Assets	\$ 1123392	\$ 7125	\$ 1130517

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Government-wide Financial Analysis (Continued)

	<u>March 31, 2007</u>		
	<u>Primary Government</u>		
	<u>Governmental</u>	<u>Business-type</u>	<u>Total</u>
	<u>Activities</u>	<u>Activities</u>	
<u>Liabilities</u>			
Long-term liabilities	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
Other liabilities	<u>21</u>	<u>375</u>	<u>396</u>
Total Liabilities	21	375	396
<u>Net Assets</u>			
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	339965	0	339965
Restricted	324409	6750	331159
Unrestricted	<u>458997</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>458997</u>
Total Net Assets	\$ 1123371	\$ 6750	\$ 1130121

For governmental activities, net assets increased by \$145,525 during the fiscal year. For business-type activities, net assets increased by \$583 during the fiscal year.

Results of Operations

The following represents the comparative changes in net assets for both governmental and business-type activities for the fiscal years ended March 31, 2008 and March 31, 2007:

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Government-wide Financial Analysis (Continued)

	March 31, 2008		
	Primary	Government	
	Governmental	Business-type	Total
	Activities	Activities	
<u>Revenues</u>			
<i>Program Revenues</i>			
Charges for services	\$ 7623	\$ 5937	\$ 13560
Operating grants	5182		5182
<i>General Revenues</i>			
Property taxes	216860	-0-	216860
Other taxes	48313		48313
Unrestricted grants	32336		32336
Other	<u>44107</u>	<u>54</u>	<u>44161</u>
Total Revenues	\$ 354421	\$ 5991	\$ 360412
<u>Expenses</u>			
General government	64389	-0-	64389
Legislative	18952		18952
Township property	21307	-0-	21307
Public safety	31427		31427
Public works	16682		16682
Parks and recreation	11483		11483
Interest on long-term debt	5592		5592
Depreciation	<u>48959</u>	<u>-0-</u>	<u>48959</u>
Total governmental expenses	218791	-0-	218791
Business- type activities			
Water services	<u>-0-</u>	<u>5408</u>	<u>5408</u>
Total business-type expenses	-0	5408	5408
Total expenses	\$ 218791	\$ 5408	\$ 224199
<u>Other Revenues (Expenses)</u>			
Transfer From External Parties	9895	-0-	9895
Increase (Decrease) in Net Assets	145525	583	146108
Net Assets – Beginning of Year	1123371	6750	1130121
Net Assets – End of Year	\$ 1268896	\$ 7333	\$ 1276229

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Government-wide Financial Analysis (Continued)

	<u>March 31, 2007</u>		
	<u>Primary</u>	<u>Government</u>	
	<u>Governmental</u>	<u>Business-type</u>	<u>Total</u>
	<u>Activities</u>	<u>Activities</u>	
<u>Revenues</u>			
<i>Program Revenues</i>			
Charges for services	\$ 9277	\$ 3978	\$ 13255
Operating grants	4201		4201
<i>General Revenues</i>			
Property taxes	206926		206926
Other taxes	43830		43830
Unrestricted grants	32069		32069
Other	<u>24067</u>	<u>53</u>	<u>24120</u>
Total Revenues	\$ 320370	\$ 4031	\$ 324401
<u>Expenses</u>			
General government	62321		62321
Legislative	21756		21756
Township property	22941		22941
Public safety	32922		32922
Public works	36559		36559
Parks and recreation	9722		9722
Depreciation	<u>34686</u>	<u>-0-</u>	<u>34686</u>
Total governmental expenses	220907	-0-	220907
Business- type activities			
Water services	<u>-0-</u>	<u>2441</u>	<u>2441</u>
Total business-type expenses	-0-	2441	2441
Total expenses	\$ 220907	\$ 2441	\$ 223348
<u>Other Revenues (Expenses)</u>			
Transfer To External Parties	-9482	-0-	-9482
Transfer From External Parties	188224	-0-	188224
Increase (Decrease) in Net Assets	278205	1590	279795
Net Assets – Beginning of Year	845166	5160	850326
Net Assets – End of Year	\$ 1123371	\$ 6750	\$ 1130121

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Governmental Activities

Property taxes and other tax revenues comprise \$265,173 or approximately 75 percent of total governmental revenues. And, at fiscal year-end, the Township reported \$32,336 in grants and contributions not restricted for specific programs. This amount was due entirely to the State of Michigan's state sales tax distribution.

The Township expended \$218,191 on governmental programs and services. Some of the largest expense categories were for general government, where \$64,389 or 30 percent of total governmental expenditures were made; \$21,307 was expended for the maintenance of Township property, and \$30,827, or 15 percent of total governmental expenditures were made for public safety.

Business-type Activities

Business-type activities increased the Township's net assets by \$583. Charges for services for the Water activities for the year ended were \$5,937. Total expenses for the Water activities for the year ended were \$5,408.

Financial Analysis of the Governmental Funds

As previously noted, the Township uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related requirements.

Governmental Funds

The focus of the Township's governmental funds is to provide information on near-term inflows, outflows, and balances of spend-able resources. This information is useful in assessing the Township's financing requirements. In particular, the unreserved fund balance may serve as a useful measure of a government's net resources available for spending at the end of the fiscal year.

The Township's governmental funds reported combined ending fund balances of \$843,627, of which \$317,683 is reserved and the remaining \$525,944 is available for spending at the government's discretion.

On the budgetary basis of accounting, the Township ended the fiscal year with revenues greater than the original and the final projections in the General Fund, and more than budgetary projections in the Road Fund. Total expenditures in the General Fund and the Road Fund were considerably less than both the original and the final projections. At fiscal year-end, both the General Fund and the Road Fund fund balances were higher than budgeted.

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Governmental Funds (Continued)

Revenue – Budget vs Actual for Fiscal Year Ended March 31, 2008:

	Revenue Original Budget	Revenue Final Budget	Revenue Final Actual	Revenue Variance Actual vs Original Budget	Revenue Variance Actual vs Final Budget
General Fund	\$ 220,154	\$ 220,154	\$ 263,684	\$ 43530	\$ 43530
Road Fund	79,393	79,393	90,611	11,218	11,218

Expenditures – Budget vs Actual for Fiscal Year Ended March 31, 2008:

	Expenditures Original Budget	Expenditures Final Budget	Expenditures Final Actual	Expenditures Variance Actual vs Original Budget	Expenditures Variance Actual vs Final Budget
General Fund	\$ 262,980	\$ 262,980	\$ 166,649	\$ 96,331	\$ 96,331
Road Fund	216,270	216,270	-0-	216270	216270

General fund financial and budgetary highlights of the fiscal year include:

- * Property taxes, administration fees, and other taxes were slightly higher than the original and final budgetary projections.
- * State sales tax distributions were up from the budgeted amounts, coming in at \$32,336, which exceeds by \$2,336 the budgeted estimates of \$30,000.
- * Expenditures in total for the general fund were \$166,649 less than the final amended budget by \$96,331. This was largely due to the fact that expenditures for legislative activities, Township Hall expenditures, general government, and fire protection were considerably less than the amounts appropriated for these purposes.

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Governmental Funds (Continued)

Special revenue funds financial and budgetary highlights of the fiscal year include:

- * There were no expenditures incurred for Road repair during the year, although the Township had budgeted \$216,270.

Proprietary Funds

The Township's proprietary fund provides the same type of information found in the government-wide financial statements, but in more detail.

Net assets of the Water Fund at year-end were \$7,333.

The change in net assets was a gain of \$583.

Capital Assets and Debt Administration

Capital Assets

The Township's investment in capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, for its governmental and business-type activities as of March 31 was \$701,269. The investment in capital assets includes land, buildings, improvements, infrastructure, machinery and equipment, and licensed vehicles.

Infrastructure assets represent \$ 9,085. All infrastructure is accounted for in the General Fund, and consists of sewer mains and lines.

A major capital event during the current fiscal year included:

- * The building and completion of the new Township Hall.

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Capital Assets and Debt Administration (Continued)

Long-term debt

The Township issued 2007 Limited Tax General Obligation Bonds in the amount of \$276,000 for the purpose of paying the cost of acquisition, construction, furnishing and equipping of a new community building and related improvements.

Other Economic Factors and Next Year's Budget

Economic Factors

Despite rising costs and limited resources, the Township will continue to strive to provide good social and cultural conditions that support healthy families, and maintain a safe and clean community in which to live.

Accomplishments and Priorities

- New tile flooring at the Camp 5 Community Building
- Consolidated the Township Offices, Fire Hall and Garage into one building.
- Sold the last remaining building (First Street Garage) in Alpha.
- Upgraded the phone system including high speed internet.
- Put a new dock at Stager Lake Park.

Significant plans and major priorities for the Township for the 2008-2009 fiscal year include:

- Upgrade our computer system.
- Obtain grant for new fire truck for Camp 5.
- Remove Bible Camp residents from Township water fund.
- New desks and window treatments for the office.

Mastodon Township

Upper Michigan's Iron County

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Requests for Information

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of the Township's finances for all those with an interest in the Township's finances. Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report or requests for additional information should be addressed to:

Township Supervisor
Mastodon Township
Crystal Falls, Michigan 49920

BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

TOWNSHIP OF MASTODON

STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS

MARCH 31, 2008

	Primary Government		
ASSETS	Governmental Activities	Business-type Activities	Totals
<u>Current Assets</u>			
Cash and Cash Equivalents (Note C)	\$ 798,106	\$ 6,254	\$ 804,360
Receivables			
Taxes and Assessments	12,038	-	12,038
Accounts Receivable	-	99	99
Internal Balances	(1,305)	1,305	-
Due from External Parties	34,788	-	34,788
Total Current Assets	843,627	7,658	851,285
<u>Noncurrent Assets</u>			
Cash, Restricted	-	-	-
Capital Assets, Net (Note H)	701,269	-	701,269
Total Noncurrent Assets	701,269	-	701,269
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 1,544,896	\$ 7,658	\$ 1,552,554
<u>LIABILITIES</u>			
<u>Current Liabilities</u>			
Current Portion of Long-Term Debt	5,000	-	5,000
Deferred Revenue	-	325	325
Total Current Liabilities	5,000	325	5,325
<u>Long-Term Liabilities</u>			
Bonds Payable	271,000	-	271,000
Total Long-term Liabilities	271,000	-	271,000
TOTAL LIABILITIES	276,000	325	276,325
<u>NET ASSETS</u>			
Invested in Capital Assets, Net of Related Debt	425,269	-	425,269
Restricted for Road Repair	314,949	-	314,949
Restricted for Liquor Law Enforcement	466	-	466
Restricted for Debt Service	1,508	-	1,508
Restricted for Capital Projects	760	-	760
Restricted for Water Repairs/Improvements	-	7,333	7,333
Unrestricted and Undesignated	525,944	-	525,944
TOTAL NET ASSETS	\$ 1,268,896	\$ 7,333	\$ 1,276,229

TOWNSHIP OF MASTODON

STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS

MARCH 31, 2008

<u>Component Units</u>	<u>Total Reporting Entity</u>
\$ 3,577	\$ 807,937
-	12,038
-	99
-	34,788
3,577	854,862
-	-
-	701,269
-	701,269
\$ 3,577	\$ 1,556,131
-	5,000
-	325
-	5,325
-	271,000
-	271,000
-	276,325
-	425,269
-	314,949
-	466
-	1,508
-	760
-	7,333
3,577	529,521
\$ 3,577	\$ 1,279,806

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this report.

TOWNSHIP OF MASTODON

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2008

Functions/Programs	Expenses	Program Revenues		
		Charges for Services	Operating Grants & Contributions	Capital Grants
Primary Government -				
General government	\$ 64,389	\$ 2,114	\$ -	\$ -
Legislative	18,952			
Township property	21,307			
Public safety	31,427	5,509		-
Public works	16,682		4,182	
Parks and recreation	11,483		1,000	-
Interest on long-term debt	5,592			
Depreciation (Unallocated)	48,959			
Total Governmental Activities	218,791	7,623	5,182	-
<u>Business-type Activities</u>				
Water	5,408	5,937		-
Total Business-type Activities	5,408	5,937	-	-
Total Primary Government	224,199	13,560	5,182	-
<u>Component Units</u>				
Alpha Mastodon Township				
Fire Department	2,122	-	-	9,400
General Revenues:				
Taxes:				
Property taxes levied for general operations				
Property taxes levied road repair				
Other taxes and fees				
State Sales Tax Distribution				
Gain on Sale of Property				
Interest and Investment Earnings				
Fundraising				
Other				
Total General Revenues				
<u>Other Revenues (Expenses)</u>				
Transfer From External Parties				
Change in Net Assets				
Net Assets - Beginning of year				
Net Assets - End of year				

TOWNSHIP OF MASTODON

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2008

***Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes
in Net Assets***

Governmental Activities	Business-type Activities	Total	Component Units
\$ (62,275)	\$ -	\$ (62,275)	\$ -
(18,952)		(18,952)	
(21,307)		(21,307)	
(25,918)	-	(25,918)	-
(12,500)		(12,500)	
(10,483)		(10,483)	
(5,592)		(5,592)	
(48,959)		(48,959)	
(205,986)	-	(205,986)	-
-	529	529	-
-	529	529	-
(205,986)	529	(205,457)	-
-	-	-	7,278
139,059	-	139,059	-
77,801	-	77,801	-
48,313	-	48,313	-
32,336	-	32,336	-
21,796	-	21,796	-
12,490	54	12,544	-
-	-	-	3,232
9,821	-	9,821	600
341,616	54	341,670	3,832
9,895	-	9,895	(9,895)
145,525	583	146,108	1,215
1,123,371	6,750	1,130,121	2,362
<u>\$ 1,268,896</u>	<u>\$ 7,333</u>	<u>\$ 1,276,229</u>	<u>\$ 3,577</u>

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this report.

TOWNSHIP OF MASTODON

BALANCE SHEET - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

MARCH 31, 2008

	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Road Fund</u>	<u>Capital Projects Fund</u>
<u>ASSETS</u>			
Cash and Investments (Note C)	\$ 489,903	\$ 306,262	\$ 760
Receivables:			
Taxes and Assessments	7,788	4,250	-
Accounts Receivable	-	-	-
Due from Other Funds	<u>30,380</u>	<u>4,437</u>	<u>-</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$ 528,071</u>	<u>\$ 314,949</u>	<u>\$ 760</u>
<u>LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES</u>			
<u>Liabilities</u>			
Accrued Taxes	-	-	-
Accounts Payable	-	-	-
Deferred Revenue	-	-	-
Due to Other Funds	<u>2,127</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Total Liabilities	2,127	-	-
<u>Fund Balances</u>			
Reserved for Road Repair	-	314,949	-
Reserved for Liquor Law Enforcement	-	-	-
Reserved for Capital Projects	-	-	760
Reserved for Debt Service	-	-	-
Unreserved and Undesignated	<u>525,944</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Total Fund Balances	525,944	314,949	760
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE	<u>\$ 528,071</u>	<u>\$ 314,949</u>	<u>\$ 760</u>

TOWNSHIP OF MASTODON

BALANCE SHEET - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

MARCH 31, 2008

Nonmajor Governmental Fund	Total Governmental Funds
<u> </u>	<u> </u>
\$ 1,181	798,106
-	-
-	12,038
-	-
<u>793</u>	<u>35,610</u>
<u>\$ 1,974</u>	<u>\$ 845,754</u>
-	-
-	-
-	-
<u>-</u>	<u>2,127</u>
-	2,127
-	314,949
466	466
-	760
1,508	1,508
-	525,944
<u>1,974</u>	<u>843,627</u>
<u>\$ 1,974</u>	<u>\$ 845,754</u>

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TOWNSHIP OF MASTODON

GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

RECONCILIATION OF BALANCE SHEET OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TO NET ASSETS

MARCH 31, 2008

Fund Balances - Total Governmental Funds	\$ 843,627
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Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement
of net assets are different because:

Capital assets used in governmental activities
are not financial resources and are not
reported in the funds.

The cost of capital assets is:	1,155,129
Accumulated depreciation is:	(453,860)

Long term liabilities are not due and payable
in the current period and are not reported
in the funds:

Bonds Payable	(276,000)
Compensated Absences	-

Other long term assets not available to pay
current period expenditures therefore
deferred in the funds

-

Accrued interest is not included as a liability
in governmental funds

-

Total Net Assets - Governmental Activities	<u>\$ 1,268,896</u>
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TOWNSHIP OF MASTODON

**STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES –
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS**

YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2008

	General Fund	Road Fund
<u>REVENUE</u>		
General Property taxes	\$ 139,059	\$ 77,801
Other local taxes & assessments	27,753	1,522
Fees/Penalties/ interest on taxes	24,217	-
Licenses, permits, and fees	2,114	-
Sale of property	22,000	-
Use of money and property	5,384	7,106
Charges for services	-	-
Miscellaneous	10,821	-
Intergovernmental	32,336	4,182
TOTAL REVENUE	\$ 263,684	\$ 90,611
<u>EXPENDITURES</u>		
Current Operating:		
General Government	64,389	-
Legislative	18,952	-
Township property	23,739	-
Public safety	32,004	-
Public works	16,682	-
Parks and recreation	11,483	-
Community Development	-	-
Debt Service		
Interest	-	-
Capital Outlay	-	-
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 167,249	\$ -
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over Expenditures	96,435	90,611
Other Financing Sources (Uses)		
Operating transfers in		-
Operating transfers out	(29,000)	-
Bond Proceeds	-	-
Total Other Financing Sources(Uses)	(29,000)	-
Net Change in Fund Balances	67,435	90,611
FUND BALANCE - BEGINNING OF YEAR	458,509	224,338
FUND BALANCE - END OF YEAR	\$ 525,944	\$ 314,949

TOWNSHIP OF MASTODON

**STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES –
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS**

YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2008

Capital Projects Fund	Other Nonmajor Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
\$ -	\$ -	\$ 216,860
-	-	29,275
-	-	24,217
-	-	2,114
-	-	22,000
-	-	12,490
-	-	-
-	-	10,821
-	330	36,848
\$ -	\$ 330	\$ 354,625
-	-	64,389
-	-	18,952
-	-	23,739
-	323	32,327
-	-	16,682
-	-	11,483
-	-	-
-	5,592	5,592
397,240	-	397,240
\$ 397,240	\$ 5,915	\$ 570,404
(397,240)	(5,585)	(215,779)
22,000	7,000	29,000
-	-	(29,000)
276,000	-	276,000
298,000	7,000	276,000
(99,240)	1,415	60,221
100,000	559	783,406
\$ 760	\$ 1,974	\$ 843,627

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TOWNSHIP OF MASTODON

GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

**RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUE, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES
IN FUND BALANCES OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES**

YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2008

Net Change in Fund Balances - Total Governmental Funds **\$ 60,221**

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement
of activities are different because:

Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures; in
the statement of activities, these costs are allocated over their
estimated useful lives as depreciation.

Depreciation Expense (48,959)

Capital Outlay 410,467

Long term liabilities are not due and payable in the
current period and are not reported in the funds:

Bonds Payable (276,000)

Governmental funds report the gross proceeds from the sale
of an asset; the statement of activities report only the net gain
from the sale

Cost/basis of asset sold (204)

Total 85,304

Change in Net Assets of Governmental Activities **\$ 145,525**

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TOWNSHIP OF MASTODON

STATEMENT OF FUND NET ASSETS -ENTERPRISE FUND*MARCH 31, 2008*

	<u>Water Fund</u>
ASSETS	
<u>Current Assets:</u>	
Cash, Unrestricted	\$ 6,254
Receivables, Net	
Accounts	99
Due From Other Funds	<u>1,305</u>
Total Current Assets	7,658
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 7,658
LIABILITIES	
<u>Current Liabilities:</u>	
Deferred Revenues	<u>325</u>
Total Current Liabilities	325
TOTAL LIABILITIES	325
NET ASSETS	
Reserved	<u>7,333</u>
TOTAL NET ASSETS	<u>\$ 7,333</u>

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this report.

TOWNSHIP OF MASTODON

**STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES, AND CHANGES IN FUND NET ASSETS -
ENTERPRISE FUND**

YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2008

	<u>Water Fund</u>
<u>OPERATING REVENUES</u>	
Charges for Services	\$ 5,937
Miscellaneous	<u>-</u>
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES	5,937
<u>OPERATING EXPENSES</u>	
Personal Services and Benefits	33
Contractual Services	4,441
Repairs and Maintenance	-
Other Supplies and Expenses	934
Administrative Expenses	-
Depreciation	-
Miscellaneous	<u>-</u>
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	5,408
OPERATING INCOME (LOSS)	529
Non-Operating Revenues (Expenses:)	
Interest Revenue	<u>54</u>
Total Non-Operating Revenues (Expenses)	54
Change in Net Assets	583
NET ASSETS, BEGINNING OF YEAR	<u>6,750</u>
NET ASSETS, END OF YEAR	<u><u>\$ 7,333</u></u>

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TOWNSHIP OF MASTODON

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS - ENTERPRISE FUND

FISCAL YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2008

	<u>Water Fund</u>
CASH FLOWS FROM (USED BY)	
<u>OPERATING ACTIVITIES</u>	
Net cash received from fees and services	\$ 6,153
Other operating revenues	
Cash payments to employees for services	(33)
Cash payments to goods and services	(5,375)
Other operating expenses	-
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NET CASH FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES	745
<u>NON CAPITAL AND FINANCING ACTIVITIES</u>	
Increase (decrease) in due to other funds	-
(Increase) decrease in due from other funds	(1,305)
Net operating transfers in (out)	-
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NET CASH FROM NON CAPITAL AND FINANCING ACTIVITIES	(1,305)
<u>CAPITAL AND RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES</u>	
Acquisition and construction of capital assets	
Principal payment on long-term bonds	
Interest paid on long-term bonds	
Interest and tax expense	
Proceeds from borrowings	
Contributed capital grants	-
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NET CASH USED BY CAPITAL AND RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES	-
<u>INVESTING ACTIVITIES</u>	
Interest Income	54
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NET CASH FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES	54
NET INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	(506)
Cash and Cash Equivalents, Beginning of Year	6,760
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Cash and Cash Equivalents, End of Year	\$ 6,254

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this report.

TOWNSHIP OF MASTODON

**STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS - ENTERPRISE FUND
(CONTINUED)**

FISCAL YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2008

**CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING
ACTIVITIES**

Operating Income	\$	529
Adjustment to reconcile operating income to net cash provided by operating activities:		
. Depreciation		-
. Provision for uncollectible accounts		
. Changes in assets and liabilities :		
(Increase) Decrease in accounts receivable		266
Increase (Decrease) in accounts payable		
Increase (Decrease) in deferred revenue		(50)
Increase (Decrease) in customer deposits		-
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NET CASH FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES	\$	745

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this report.

TOWNSHIP OF MASTODON

FIDUCIARY FUND**STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET ASSETS***MARCH 31, 2008*

	<u>Agency Fund</u>
<u>ASSETS</u>	
Cash and Cash Equivalents	<u>\$ 66,250</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 66,250
<u>LIABILITIES</u>	
Due to Other Funds	34,788
Due to Other Governmental Units	<u>31,462</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$ 66,250
NET ASSETS	\$ -

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this report.

TOWNSHIP OF MASTODON

STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS – DISCRETELY PRESENTED COMPONENT UNITS*MARCH 31, 2008*

	Alpha Mastodon Township Fire Department
<u>ASSETS</u>	
<u>Current Assets</u>	
Cash and cash equivalents	<u>\$ 3,577</u>
Total Current Assets	3,577
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$ 3,577</u>
<u>NET ASSETS</u>	
Invested in Capital Assets, Net of Related Debt	-
Net Assets, Unreserved	<u>3,577</u>
TOTAL NET ASSETS	<u>\$ 3,577</u>

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this report.

TOWNSHIP OF MASTODON

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES – DISCRETELY PRESENTED COMPONENT UNITS

YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2008

	<u>Expenses</u>	<u>Charges for Services</u>	<u>Operating Grants and Contributions</u>	<u>Capital Grants</u>	<u>Net (Expense) Revenue and Change in Net Assets</u>
<u>Alpha Mastodon Township Fire Department</u>	\$ 2,122	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 9,400	\$ 7,278
			-		
	\$ 2,122	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 9,400	\$ 7,278
General Revenues:					
Fund Raising					3,232
Interest and Investment earnings					-
Miscellaneous					600
Total General Revenues					3,832
<u>Other Revenues (Expenses)</u>					
Transfer to External Parties					(9,895)
Change in Net Assets					1,215
Net Assets-Beginning of Year					2,362
Net Assets-End of Year					<u><u>\$ 3,577</u></u>

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this report.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

TOWNSHIP OF MASTODON

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

MARCH 31, 2008

NOTE A - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The accounting methods and procedures adopted by the **Township of Mastodon**, Alpha, Michigan, conform to generally accepted accounting principles as applicable to governmental entities. The following is a summary of the more significant policies:

THE FINANCIAL REPORTING ENTITY

The **Township of Mastodon** covers an area of approximately 83789 acres. The Township operates under an elected Council (5 members) and provides services to approximately 435 residents in many areas including law enforcement protection, general administration, and water services. In accordance with the provisions of GASB 14, certain other governmental organizations are not considered to be part of the Township entity for financial reporting purposes. The criteria established by GASB 14 for determining the various governmental organizations to be included in the reporting entity's financial statements include separation of electing governing body and legal status, and fiscal independence.

TOWNSHIP OF MASTODON

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
(CONTINUED)**

MARCH 31, 2008

NOTE A - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

THE FINANCIAL REPORTING ENTITY(Continued)

On this basis, the financial statements of the Alpha Mastodon Township Fire Department are included in the financial statements of the Township as discretely presented component units.

BLENDED COMPONENT UNITS

A blended component unit is a legally separate entity from the local unit, but it is so intertwined with the unit that it is, in substance, the same as the local governmental unit.

A basic strategy of GASB 14 is to present financial information for component units separately from the financial information for the primary government. This is achieved through the discrete presentation method. However, in the case of blended component units, GASB believes that it would be more appropriate to use the blending method to incorporate the financial information of a component unit into the reporting entity's financial statements.

TOWNSHIP OF MASTODON

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
(CONTINUED)**

MARCH 31, 2008

NOTE A - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

BLENDED COMPONENT UNITS (Continued)

When the blending method is used, transactions and balances of a component unit are merged with similar transactions and balances of the primary government so that there is no way to identify which balances relate to the component unit and which relate to the primary government.

There are no blended component units reported in the audited financial statements for the **Township of Mastodon**.

JOINT VENTURES

A joint venture is a legal entity or other organization that results from a contractual agreement and that is owned, operated, or governed by two or more participants as a separate and specific activity subject to joint control, in which the participants retain an ongoing financial interest or an ongoing financial responsibility.

TOWNSHIP OF MASTODON

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
(CONTINUED)**

MARCH 31, 2008

NOTE A - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

JOINT VENTURES (Continued)

An ongoing financial responsibility is determined as a participating government's obligation in some manner for debts or the joint venture's existence depends on continued funding by the participating government.

There are no joint ventures to be reported.

JOINTLY GOVERNED ORGANIZATIONS

A jointly governed organization is a multi-governmental arrangement that is governed by representatives from each of the governments that create the organization, but that is not a joint venture because the participants do not retain an ongoing financial interest or responsibility.

There are no jointly governed organizations to be reported.

TOWNSHIP OF MASTODON

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
(CONTINUED)**

MARCH 31, 2008

NOTE A - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

RELATED ORGANIZATIONS

A related organization is an organization for which a primary government is not financially accountable (because it does not impose will or have a financial benefit or burden relations) even though the primary government appoints a voting majority of the organization's governing board.

There are no related organizations to be reported.

BASIS OF PRESENTATION

The Township follows GASB Statement No. 34, *Basic Financial Statements – and Management's Discussion and Analysis - for State and Local Governments*. GASB Statement No. 34 adds the following components to the financial statements:

TOWNSHIP OF MASTODON

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
(CONTINUED)**

MARCH 31, 2008

NOTE A - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

BASIS OF PRESENTATION (Continued)

Management's Discussion and Analysis

A narrative introduction and analytical overview of the government's financial activities. This analysis is similar to analysis the private sector provides in their annual reports.

Government-wide financial statements

These include financial statements prepared using full accrual accounting for all of the government's activities. This approach includes not just current assets and liabilities (such as cash and accounts payable) but also capital assets and long-term liabilities (such as buildings and infrastructure, including bridges and roads, and general obligation debt). Accrual accounting also reports all of the revenues and costs of providing services each year, not just those received or paid in the current year or soon thereafter.

TOWNSHIP OF MASTODON

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
(CONTINUED)**

MARCH 31, 2008

NOTE A - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

BASIS OF PRESENTATION (Continued)

Government-wide financial statements (Continued)

The government-wide statements include the Statement of Net Assets and the Statement of Program Activities.

Statement of Net Assets

The Statement of Net Assets displays the financial position of the primary government (government and business-type activities) and its discretely presented component unit.

Governments report all capital assets, including infrastructure, in the government-wide Statement of Net Assets and report depreciation expenses - the cost of "using up" capital assets - in the Statement of Activities.

TOWNSHIP OF MASTODON

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
(CONTINUED)**

MARCH 31, 2008

NOTE A - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

BASIS OF PRESENTATION (Continued)

Statement of Net Assets (Continued)

The net assets of a government are broken down into three categories - 1) invested in capital assets, net of related debt; 2) restricted; and 3) unrestricted.

Statement of Program Activities

The statement of program activities reports expenses and revenues in a format that focuses on the cost of the government's functions. The expense of individual functions is compared to the revenues generated directly by the function (for instance, through user charges or intergovernmental grants).

Budgetary comparison schedule

Demonstrating compliance with the adopted budget is an important component of a government's accountability to the public.

TOWNSHIP OF MASTODON

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
(CONTINUED)**

MARCH 31, 2008

NOTE A - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - CONTINUED

BASIS OF PRESENTATION (Continued)

Budgetary comparison schedules (Continued)

Many citizens participate in the process of establishing the annual operating budgets of state and local governments, and have a keen interest in following the actual financial progress of their governments over the course of the year. The Township and many other governments revise their original budgets over the course of the year for a variety of reasons.

As required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, these financial statements present the primary government entities for which the government is considered to be financially accountable. The discretely presented component units are reported in a separate column in the government-wide statements to emphasize they are legally separate from the primary government. The discretely presented component unit has a March 31 fiscal year-end.

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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MARCH 31, 2008

NOTE A - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - CONTINUED

BASIS OF PRESENTATION (Continued)

**GOVERNMENT-WIDE AND FUND FINANCIAL
STATEMENTS**

The basic financial statements include both government-wide (based on the Township as a whole) and fund financial statements.

The reporting model focus is on both the Township as a whole and the fund financial statements, including the major individual funds of governmental and business-type categories, as well as the fiduciary funds, (by category) and the component unit.

The following criteria is applied for major fund qualification:

Total assets, liabilities, revenues, or expenditures/expenses (excluding extraordinary items) of an individual fund are at least 10% of the corresponding total for a fund type.

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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NOTE A - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - CONTINUED

BASIS OF PRESENTATION (Continued)

**GOVERNMENT-WIDE AND FUND FINANCIAL
STATEMENTS (Continued)**

Total assets, liabilities, revenues, or expenditures/expenses (excluding extraordinary items) of an individual fund are at least 5% of the corresponding total for the total of all governmental and enterprise funds combined.

Assets, or any other element taken one at a time would have to pass both the 10% test and the 5% test for the fund to be considered a major fund.

Both the government-wide and fund financial statements (within the basic financial statements) categorize primary activities as either governmental or business type. In the government-wide Statement of Net Assets, both the governmental and business-type activities columns (a) are presented on a consolidated basis by column, and (b) are reflected, on a full accrual, economic resource basis, which incorporates long-term assets and receivables as well as long-term debt and obligations.

TOWNSHIP OF MASTODON

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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MARCH 31, 2008

NOTE A - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - CONTINUED

BASIS OF PRESENTATION (Continued)

**GOVERNMENT-WIDE AND FUND FINANCIAL
STATEMENTS (Continued)**

Both governmental-wide and fund financial statement presentations provide valuable information that can be analyzed and compared (between years and between governments) to enhance the usefulness of the financial information.

The Township generally uses restricted assets first for expenses incurred for which both restricted and unrestricted assets are available. The Township may defer the use of restricted assets based on a review of the specific transaction.

The government-wide Statement of Activities reflects both the gross and net cost per functional category (public safety, public works, parks and recreation, etc.) that are otherwise being supported by general government revenues (property, sales and use taxes, certain intergovernmental revenues, fines, permits and charges, etc.).

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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NOTE A - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - CONTINUED

BASIS OF PRESENTATION (Continued)

**GOVERNMENT-WIDE AND FUND FINANCIAL
STATEMENTS (Continued)**

The Statement of Activities reduces gross expenses (including depreciation) by related program revenues, operating and capital grants, and contributions.

The program revenues must be directly associated with the function (public safety, public works, culture and recreation, etc.) or a business-type activity. Program revenues include 1) charges to customers or applicants who purchase, use, or directly benefit from goods, services, or privileges provided by a given function and 2) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operation or capital requirement of a particular function or segment. Taxes and other items not properly included among program revenues are reported as general revenues. The Township does not allocate indirect expenses.

TOWNSHIP OF MASTODON

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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NOTE A - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - CONTINUED

BASIS OF PRESENTATION (Continued)

**GOVERNMENT-WIDE AND FUND FINANCIAL
STATEMENTS (Continued)**

The operating grants and contributions column includes operating-specific and discretionary (either operating or capital) grants while the capital grants and contributions column reflects capital-specific grants.

In the fund financial statements, financial transactions and accounts of the Township are organized in the basis of funds.

The operation of each fund is considered to be an independent fiscal and separate accounting entity, with a self-balancing sets of accounts recording cash and/or other financial resources together with all related liabilities and residual equities or balances, and changes therein, which are segregated for the purpose of carrying on specific activities or attaining certain objectives in accordance with special regulations, restrictions, or limitations. The fund statements are presented on a current financial resource and modified accrual basis of accounting.

TOWNSHIP OF MASTODON

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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MARCH 31, 2008

NOTE A - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - CONTINUED

BASIS OF PRESENTATION (Continued)

**GOVERNMENT-WIDE AND FUND FINANCIAL
STATEMENTS (Continued)**

This is the manner in which these funds are normally budgeted. Since the governmental fund statements are presented on a different measurement focus and basis of accounting than the government-wide statements' governmental activities column, a reconciliation is presented which briefly explains the adjustments necessary to reconcile the fund financial statements to the governmental activities column of the government-wide financial statements.

The Township's fiduciary funds are presented in the fund financial statements by type (pension, private purpose and agency). Since by definition these assets are being held for the benefit of a third party (other local governments, private parties, pension participants, etc.) and cannot be used to address activities or obligations of the government, these funds are not incorporated into the government-wide financial statements.

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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MARCH 31, 2008

NOTE A - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - CONTINUED

BASIS OF PRESENTATION (Continued)

**GOVERNMENT-WIDE AND FUND FINANCIAL
STATEMENTS (Continued)**

The following is a brief description of the specific funds used by the Township.

GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

These funds are those through which most governmental functions typically are financed.

The acquisition, use, and balances of the Township's expendable financial resources and the related current liabilities, except those accounted for in the Proprietary Fund, are accounted for through the Governmental Funds. These funds are as follows:

General Fund

This fund is used for all financial transactions not accounted for in another fund, including the general operating expenditures of the local unit.

TOWNSHIP OF MASTODON

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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MARCH 31, 2008

NOTE A - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

BASIS OF PRESENTATION (Continued)

GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS (Continued)

General Fund (Continued)

Revenues are derived primarily from property taxes and state and federal distributions, grants and other intergovernmental revenues.

The General Fund is always considered a major fund for reporting purposes.

Special Revenue Funds

These funds are used to account for specific governmental revenues requiring separate accounting because of legal or regulatory provisions or administrative action. The Township's *Liquor Law Enforcement* and *Road Repair* funds are Special Revenue Funds.

The Road Repair fund is considered a major fund for reporting purposes. The Liquor Law Enforcement fund is considered a non-major fund for reporting purposes.

TOWNSHIP OF MASTODON

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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MARCH 31, 2008

NOTE A - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

BASIS OF PRESENTATION (Continued)

GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

Debt Service Fund

This fund is used to account for the accumulation of resources for, and the payment of, general long-term debt principal and interest. The Debt Service fund is a non-major fund for reporting purposes.

Capital Projects Fund

These funds are used to account for the purchase and/or construction of capital facilities by a governmental unit which is not accounted for by Proprietary Funds, Special Assessment Funds, or Trust Funds. The various resources of the governmental unit to be used in the projects, such as General Fund contributions, grants from other units of government and bond proceeds, flow into the Capital Projects Fund. Expenditures incurred in the development of the facility are also recorded within the Capital Projects Fund.

During the fiscal year ended March 31, 2008, the Township maintained one capital project fund. The Capital Projects Fund is a major fund for reporting purposes.

TOWNSHIP OF MASTODON

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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MARCH 31, 2008

NOTE A - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

BASIS OF PRESENTATION (Continued)

PROPRIETARY FUNDS

Enterprise Funds

These funds are used to account for operations (a) that are financed and operated in a manner similar to private business enterprises----where the intent of the governing body is that the costs (expenses including depreciation) of providing goods and services to the general public on a continuing basis be financed or recovered primarily through user charges; or (b) where the governing body has decided that periodic determination of revenues earned, expenses incurred, and/or net income is appropriate for capital maintenance, public policy, management control, accountability, or other purpose. The Township's *Water Fund* is an Enterprise Fund.

For reporting purposes, the Water Fund is considered to be a major fund.

TOWNSHIP OF MASTODON

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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MARCH 31, 2007

NOTE A - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

BASIS OF PRESENTATION (Continued)

FIDUCIARY FUNDS

Trust and Agency Funds are used to account for assets held by the Township in a trustee capacity for individuals, private organizations, other governmental units, and/or other funds. The Township's *Current Tax Collection Fund* is a Fiduciary Fund.

Accounting for Expendable Trust funds parallels accounting for governmental fund (modified accrual basis/approximate flow of current financial resources).

MEASUREMENT FOCUS

The accounting and financial reporting treatment applied to a fund is determined by its measurement focus. All governmental funds are accounted for using the current financial resources measurement focus. With this measurement focus, only current liabilities generally are included on the balance sheet in the funds statements. Long-term assets and long-term liabilities are included in the government-wide statements.

TOWNSHIP OF MASTODON

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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MARCH 31, 2008

NOTE A - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

BASIS OF PRESENTATION (Continued)

MEASUREMENT FOCUS

Operating statements of the governmental funds present increases (i.e., revenues and other financing sources) and decreases (i.e., expenditures and other financing uses) in net current assets.

The government-wide statement of net assets and statement of activities, all proprietary funds, and private purpose trust funds and pension trust funds (when applicable) are accounted for on a flow of economic resources measurement focus.

With this measurement focus, all assets and all liabilities associated with the operation of these activities are either included on the statement of net assets or on the statement of fiduciary net assets.

TOWNSHIP OF MASTODON

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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MARCH 31, 2008

NOTE A - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

BASIS OF PRESENTATION (Continued)

MEASUREMENT FOCUS (Continued)

Proprietary fund-type operating statements present increases (e.g., revenues) and decreases (e.g., expenses) in net total assets.

The statement of net assets, statement of activities, financial statements of the Proprietary Fund and the Fiduciary Fund are presented on the accrual basis of accounting. Under this method of accounting, revenues are recognized when earned and expenses are recorded when liabilities are incurred without regard to receipt or disbursement of cash.

The fund financial statements of the General, Special Revenue, Debt Service, and Capital Projects funds (when applicable) are maintained and reported on the modified accrual basis of accounting using the current financial resources measurement focus.

TOWNSHIP OF MASTODON

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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MARCH 31, 2008

NOTE A - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

BASIS OF PRESENTATION (Continued)

MEASUREMENT FOCUS (Continued)

Under this method of accounting, revenues are recognized in the period in which they become measurable and available. With respect to real and personal property tax revenue and other local taxes, the term "available" is limited to collection within sixty days of the fiscal year-end. Levies made prior to the fiscal year-end but which are not available are deferred. Interest income is recorded as earned. Federal and State reimbursement-type grants revenue is considered to be measurable and available as revenue when related eligible expenditures are incurred.

Expenditures, other than accrued interest on long-term debt, are recorded when the fund liability is incurred.

TOWNSHIP OF MASTODON

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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MARCH 31, 2008

NOTE A - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

BASIS OF PRESENTATION (Continued)

MEASUREMENT FOCUS (Continued)

The local government unit applies all GASB pronouncements as well as the FASB pronouncements issued on or before November 30, 1989, unless those pronouncements conflict with or contradict GASB pronouncements.

ENCUMBRANCES

Encumbrance accounting, under which purchase orders, contracts, and other commitments for the expenditure of monies are recorded in order to reserve that portion of the applicable appropriations, is employed for accountability purposes only.

It is the Township's policy to honor all unfilled contracts/orders at year-end, but the authority to complete these transactions is provided by the new year's budget appropriations, as unexpended appropriations of the current year lapse at year-end.

TOWNSHIP OF MASTODON

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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MARCH 31, 2008

NOTE A - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

BASIS OF PRESENTATION (Continued)

CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

The Township pools cash resources of its various funds to facilitate the management of cash. Cash applicable to a particular fund is readily identifiable. The balance in the pooled cash accounts is available to meet current operating requirements.

The Township classifies cash on hand, cash on deposit (including certificates of deposit), and highly liquid investments with an original maturity of ninety days or less when purchased as cash in its financial statements.

INVENTORIES

Inventories of supplies are expended as received.

TOWNSHIP OF MASTODON

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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MARCH 31, 2008

NOTE A - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

BASIS OF PRESENTATION (Continued)

RECEIVABLES

Accounts which will be collected within sixty days of year-end are accrued as accounts receivable in the General and Special Revenue Funds. User charges for the Proprietary Fund are recorded as receivable when billed. On an annual basis the charges are reviewed for collectibility. Those deemed uncollectible are assigned to the tax roll.

INTEREST RECEIVABLE

Interest on certificates of deposit is recorded as revenue in the year the interest is earned and is available to pay liabilities of the current period.

TOWNSHIP OF MASTODON

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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MARCH 31, 2008

NOTE A - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

BASIS OF PRESENTATION (Continued)

DUE TO/FROM OTHER FUNDS

Transactions between funds that had not been paid or received as of fiscal year end have been recorded as inter-fund accounts receivable and payable in the financial statements. These inter-fund receivables and payables do not represent Board-approved loans between funds.

DEFERRED REVENUE

Deferred revenue represents amounts under the modified accrual basis of accounting for which asset recognition criteria have been met but for which revenue recognition criteria have not been met, whereby such amounts are measurable but not considered currently available resources.

TOWNSHIP OF MASTODON

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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MARCH 31, 2008

NOTE A - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

BASIS OF PRESENTATION (Continued)

FUND EQUITY

The unreserved fund balances for governmental funds represent the amount available for budgeting future operations. The reserved fund balances represent the amount that has been legally identified for specific purposes. Designated fund balances represent amounts earmarked by the Township for future expenditures.

Unreserved retained earnings represent net assets available for future operations or distribution. Reserved retained earnings represent net assets that have been legally identified for specific purposes. Designated retained earnings represent amounts earmarked by the Township for future expenditures.

TOWNSHIP OF MASTODON

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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MARCH 31, 2008

NOTE A - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

BASIS OF PRESENTATION (Continued)

FUND EQUITY

The Township has a reserved fund balance at March 31, 2008 as follows:

\$ 314,949 is reserved for the maintenance and improvement of Township roads in the Road Fund.

\$ 466 is reserved for Liquor Law Enforcement in the Liquor Law Enforcement Fund.

\$ 1508 is reserved for Debt Service in the Debt Service Fund.

\$ 760 is reserved for Capital Projects in the Capital Projects Fund.

\$ 7,333 is reserved for Water Fund repairs and improvements in the Water Fund.

BUDGETS AND BUDGETARY ACCOUNTING

The Township follows the State of Michigan Uniform Budgeting and Accounting Act for budgeting purposes.

TOWNSHIP OF MASTODON

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
(CONTINUED)**

MARCH 31, 2008

NOTE A - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

BASIS OF PRESENTATION (Continued)

**BUDGETS AND BUDGETARY ACCOUNTING
(Continued)**

Budgets are adopted on a basis consistent with generally accepted accounting principles. Annual appropriated budgets are adopted for the general and special revenue funds. Unexpended appropriations lapse at fiscal year-end.

The following procedures are followed in establishing the budgetary data reflected in the financial statements:

1. Prior to March 31 of the preceding fiscal year, the Township prepares a budget for the next fiscal year beginning April 01. The operating budget includes proposed expenditures and the means of financing them.

TOWNSHIP OF MASTODON

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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MARCH 31, 2008

NOTE A - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

BASIS OF PRESENTATION (Continued)

**BUDGETS AND BUDGETARY ACCOUNTING
(Continued)**

2. A meeting of the Township Board is then called for the purpose of adopting the proposed budget after sufficient public notice of the meeting has been given.
3. Prior to April 01, the budget is legally enacted through passage of a resolution by the members of the Township Board.

Once the budget is approved, it can be amended at the Function and Fund level only by approval of a majority of the members of the Township Board. Amendments are presented to the Board at their regular meetings. Each amendment must have Board approval.

TOWNSHIP OF MASTODON

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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MARCH 31, 2008

NOTE A - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

BASIS OF PRESENTATION (Continued)

PROPERTY TAX

Property taxes are levied on December 31 and payable in two installments on July 01 and December 01. They become delinquent the following March 01.

The Township bills and collects its own property taxes and also collects taxes for the school district and county. Collections for the schools and county are accounted for in the Trust and Agency Fund. Township property tax revenues are recognized when levied to the extent they are receivable. The County of Iron purchases from the Township the delinquent real property taxes outstanding as of March 01 of each year. The 2007 Taxable Valuation of the Township was \$ 54,876,133, on which is levied 2.5342 mills for general operation of the Township, and 1.4179 mills for the maintenance and improvement of Township roads.

TOWNSHIP OF MASTODON

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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MARCH 31, 2008

NOTE A - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

BASIS OF PRESENTATION (Continued)

NON-MONETARY TRANSACTIONS

The Single Audit Act of 1984, as amended, and OMB Circular A-133 defines federal financial assistance to include both monetary and non-monetary forms of assistance provided by or passed down from a federal agency, such as grants, contracts, loans, loan guarantees, property, etc.

CAPITAL ASSETS

Capital outlays are recorded as expenditures of the General, Special Revenue, and Capital Projects Funds and as assets in the governmental-wide statements to the extent the Township's capitalization threshold of \$ 500 is met. Depreciation is recorded on general fixed assets on a government-wide basis using the straight-line method and the following estimated useful lives:

TOWNSHIP OF MASTODON

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
(CONTINUED)**

MARCH 31, 2007

NOTE A - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

BASIS OF PRESENTATION (Continued)

CAPITAL ASSETS (Continued)

Buildings..... 20 - 50 years

Infrastructure..... 10 - 65 years

Furniture and Other

Equipment..... 5 - 20 years

To the extent the Township's capitalization threshold of \$500 is met, capital outlays of the Proprietary Funds are recorded as fixed assets and depreciated over their estimated useful lives on a straight-line basis on both the funds basis and the governmental-wide basis using the straight-line method and the following estimated useful lives:

Equipment..... 5 - 20 years

Land Improvements..... 20 years

TOWNSHIP OF MASTODON

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
(CONTINUED)**

MARCH 31, 2008

NOTE A - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

BASIS OF PRESENTATION (Continued)

CAPITAL ASSETS (Continued)

All fixed assets are valued at historical cost or estimated historical cost if actual cost was not available. Donated fixed assets are valued at their estimated fair market value on the date donated.

Maintenance, repairs, and minor equipment costs are charged to operations when incurred. Expenses that materially change capacities or extend useful lives are capitalized. Upon sale or retirement of land, buildings, and equipment, the cost and related accumulated depreciation, if applicable, are eliminated from the respective accounts and any resulting gain or loss is included in the results of operations.

COMPENSATED ABSENCES

The Township has no employees eligible to accrue vacation or sick pay.

TOWNSHIP OF MASTODON

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
(CONTINUED)**

MARCH 31, 2008

NOTE A - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

BASIS OF PRESENTATION (Continued)

POST EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS

The Township offers no post-employment benefits.

USE OF ESTIMATES

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

NOTE B – INTER-FUND ACTIVITIES

INTER-FUND RECEIVABLES AND PAYABLES

Inter-fund receivables and payables do not represent inter-fund borrowings; instead, they represent actual amounts which are pending between funds at year-end due to the timing of cash flows. Generally, these amounts clear shortly after year-end when resources become available.

The amounts of the inter-fund receivables and payables as of March 31, 2008 were as follows:

TOWNSHIP OF MASTODON

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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MARCH 31, 2008

NOTE B – INTER-FUND ACTIVITIES (CONTINUED)

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Inter-fund Receivable</u>	<u>Inter-fund Payable</u>
General	\$ 30380	\$ 2127
Liquor Law Enforcement	793	-0-
Road Repair	4437	-0-
Trust and Agency	-0-	34788
Water Fund	<u>1305</u>	<u>-0-</u>
Totals	\$ <u>36915</u>	\$ <u>36915</u>

<u>Summary by Fund Classification</u>	<u>Inter-fund Receivable</u>	<u>Inter-fund Payable</u>
Major Funds - Governmental	\$ 34817	\$ 2127
Non-Major Funds – Governmental	793	-0-
Enterprise Funds	1305	-0-
Agency Fund	<u>-0-</u>	<u>34788</u>
Totals	\$ <u>36915</u>	\$ <u>36915</u>

At year-end, the Trust and Agency Fund had amounts due to both the General Fund and the Road Fund from current property tax collections.

TOWNSHIP OF MASTODON

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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MARCH 31, 2008

NOTE B – INTER-FUND ACTIVITIES (CONTINUED)

Other payables and receivables represent timing differences in the receipt and disbursements of funds relating to operating activities.

OPERATING TRANSFERS

Inter-fund transfers are the result of legally authorized transfers from a fund receiving revenue to the fund through which the resources are to be expended.

During the fiscal year ended March 31, 2008, the Township authorized the following transfers:

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Transfers In</u>	<u>Transfers Out</u>
General Fund	\$ -0-	\$ 29000
Capital Projects Fund	22000	-0-
Debt Service Fund	<u>7000</u>	<u>-0-</u>
Totals	\$ <u>29000</u>	\$ <u>29000</u>

TOWNSHIP OF MASTODON

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
(CONTINUED)**

MARCH 31, 2008

NOTE B – INTER-FUND ACTIVITIES (CONTINUED)

OPERATING TRANSFERS (Continued)

<u>Summary by Fund Classification</u>	<u>Transfers In</u>	<u>Transfers Out</u>
Major Funds - Governmental	\$ 22000	\$ 29000
Non-Major Funds – Governmental	<u>7000</u>	<u>-0-</u>
Totals	\$ <u>29000</u>	\$ <u>29000</u>

The General Fund transfers funds to the Debt Service Fund to provide monies for payment of principal and interest on loans, and also transferred monies to help with the cost of the new Township Hall.

OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)

The transfers of cash between the various Township funds are budgeted but reported separately from revenues and expenditures as operating transfers in or (out), unless they represent temporary advances that are to be repaid, in which case, they are carried as assets and liabilities of the advancing or borrowing funds.

TOWNSHIP OF MASTODON

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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MARCH 31, 2008

NOTE C - CASH, DEPOSITS, AND INVESTMENTS

PRIMARY GOVERNMENT

On March 31, 2008, the carrying value of the Township's deposits (Primary Government) was \$ 870,610 and is comprised of cash and deposits reflected in the following funds:

<i>Governmental Funds</i>	
General Fund	\$ 489903
Road Repair Fund	306262
Liquor Law Enforcement Fund	(327)
Debt Service Fund	1508
Capital Projects Fund	<u>760</u>
<i>Total Governmental Funds</i>	798106
<i>Enterprise Funds</i>	
Water Fund	<u>6254</u>
<i>Total Enterprise Funds</i>	6254
<i>Fiduciary Funds</i>	
Tax Collection Fund	<u>66250</u>
<i>Total Fiduciary Funds</i>	66250
Total Primary Government	\$ 870610

TOWNSHIP OF MASTODON

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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MARCH 31, 2008

NOTE C - CASH, DEPOSITS, AND INVESTMENTS (CONTINUED)

The Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 3, risk disclosures for the local unit's cash deposits classifies cash according to three levels of risk.

The three levels of risk are as follows:

Category 1

Deposits which are insured or collateralized with securities held by the Township or its agent in the Township's name.

Category 2

Deposits which are collateralized with securities held by the pledging financial institution's trust department or agent in the Township's name.

TOWNSHIP OF MASTODON

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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MARCH 31, 2008

NOTE C - CASH, DEPOSITS, AND INVESTMENTS (CONTINUED)

Category 3

Deposits which are not collateralized or insured.

Based on these levels of risk, the Township's cash deposits
(Primary Government) are classified as follows:

SCHEDULE OF CASH AND DEPOSITS

PRIMARY GOVERNMENT

	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3	Totals
Cash and Deposits	\$ 219743	\$ -0-	\$ 650867	\$ 870610

TOWNSHIP OF MASTODON

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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MARCH 31, 2008

NOTE C - CASH, DEPOSITS, AND INVESTMENTS (CONTINUED)

SCHEDULE OF CASH AND DEPOSITS (Continued)

COMPONENT UNITS

On March 31, 2008, the carrying value of the Component Unit's deposits was \$ 3,577 and is comprised of cash and deposits reflected as follows:

Alpha Mastodon Township Fire Department	\$	<u>3577</u>
Total Component Unit	\$	3577

Based on the levels of risk, the Component Unit's cash and deposits are classified as follows:

TOWNSHIP OF MASTODON

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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MARCH 31, 2008

NOTE C - CASH, DEPOSITS, AND INVESTMENTS (CONTINUED)

SCHEDULE OF CASH AND DEPOSITS (Continued)

	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3	Totals
<u>Component Units</u>				
Cash and Deposits	\$ 3577	\$ -0-	\$ -0-	\$ 3577

INVESTMENTS

Credit risk is the risk that an issuer or other counterparty to an investment will not fulfill its obligations. Custodial risk is the risk that, in the event of the failure of the counterparty, the Township will not be able to recover the value of its investments or collateral securities in the possession of an outside party.

The Township's investments are categorized below to give an indication of the level of risk assumed at year-end. **Category 1** includes investments that are insured or registered or for which the securities are held by the Township or its agent in the Township's name.

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NOTE C - CASH, DEPOSITS, AND INVESTMENTS (CONTINUED)

INVESTMENTS (Continued)

Category 2 includes uninsured and unregistered investments for which the securities are held by the broker's or dealer's safekeeping department or agent in the Township's name.

Category 3 includes uninsured and registered investments for which the securities are held by the broker or dealer, or by its safekeeping department or agent, but not in the Township's name.

There are no investments for the Township, as reflected below:

<u>Investment Type</u>	<u>Category 1</u>	<u>Category 2</u>	<u>Category 3</u>	<u>Carrying Value</u>	<u>Market Value</u>
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
Total Investments	\$ -0-	\$ -0-	\$ -0-	\$ -0-	\$ -0-

TOWNSHIP OF MASTODON

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
(CONTINUED)**

MARCH 31, 2008

NOTE C - CASH, DEPOSITS, AND INVESTMENTS (CONTINUED)

STATUTORY AUTHORITY

Act 196, PA 1997, authorizes the Township to deposit and invest in:

1. Bonds, securities, and other obligations of the United States or an agency or instrumentality of the United States.
2. Certificates of deposit, savings accounts, or depository receipts of a financial institution eligible to be a depository of funds belonging to the State of Michigan under a law or rule of this state or the United States.
3. Commercial paper rated at the time of purchase within the two highest classifications established by not less than two standard rating services and that matures not more than 270 days after the date of purchase.

TOWNSHIP OF MASTODON

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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MARCH 31, 2008

NOTE C - CASH, DEPOSITS, AND INVESTMENTS (CONTINUED)

STATUTORY AUTHORITY (Continued)

4. Repurchase agreements consisting of instruments issued by the United States or an agency or instrumentality of the United States.
5. Bankers acceptance of United States banks.
6. Obligations of the State of Michigan or any of its political subdivisions that at the time of purchase are rated as investment grade by not less than one standard rating service.
7. Mutual funds registered under the Investment Act of 1950 with the authority to purchase only investment vehicles that are legal for direct investment by a public corporation.

TOWNSHIP OF MASTODON

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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MARCH 31, 2008

NOTE C - CASH, DEPOSITS, AND INVESTMENTS (CONTINUED)

STATUTORY AUTHORITY (Continued)

The Township has adopted an investment policy, allowing for all types of deposits and investments listed above. The Township's deposits and investments are in compliance with its investment policy.

NOTE D - PENSION PLAN

The Township has no pension plan.

NOTE E - EXCESS OF EXPENDITURES OVER APPROPRIATIONS IN BUDGETARY FUNDS

BUDGET VIOLATIONS

P.A. 621 of 1978, SECTION 18 (1), as amended, provides a local unit shall not incur expenditures in excess of the amounts appropriated. The **Township of Mastodon**'s actual expenditures and budgeted expenditures for the funds budgeted have been shown on an activity basis.

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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MARCH 31, 2008

**NOTE E - EXCESS OF EXPENDITURES OVER APPROPRIATIONS IN BUDGETARY FUNDS
(CONTINUED)**

BUDGET VIOLATIONS (Continued)

The approved budgets of the **Township of Mastodon** were adopted at the activity level. The budget is prepared on the modified accrual basis of accounting, which is the same basis as the financial statements.

The total actual 2007-2008 expenditures for the following activities (cost centers) exceeded the amended budget allocations by a total of \$2,900, contrary to the provisions of Section 17 of Public Act 621 of 1978, the "Uniform Budgeting and Accounting Act".

<u>ACTIVITY (COST CENTER)</u>	<u>ACTUAL</u>	<u>BUDGET</u>	<u>OVER EXPENDITURES</u>
<u>General Fund</u>			
Transfer Out – Capital Projects Fund	\$ 22000	\$ -0-	\$ 22000
Transfer Out – Debt Service Fund	7000	-0-	7000

TOWNSHIP OF MASTODON

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
(CONTINUED)**

MARCH 31, 2008

NOTE F - ACCUMULATED FUND DEFICITS

At March 31, 2008, the Township had no fund balance/retained earnings deficit in any fund.

NOTE G - RISK MANAGEMENT

The Township is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. The Township maintains commercial insurance coverage covering each of those risks of loss. Management believes such coverage is sufficient to preclude any significant uninsured losses to the Township.

NOTE H - CAPITAL ASSETS

The following is a summary of the changes in capital assets for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2008:

TOWNSHIP OF MASTODON

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
(CONTINUED)**

MARCH 31, 2008

NOTE H - CAPITAL ASSETS (CONTINUED)

	Balance March 31, 2007	Increases	Decreases	Balance March 31, 2008
GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES				
<u>Capital Assets Not Being Depreciated</u>	\$	\$	\$	\$
Land and Land Improvements	<u>22849</u>	<u>-0-</u>	<u>-0-</u>	<u>22849</u>
Total Capital Assets Not Being Depreciated	22849	-0-	-0-	22849
<u>Other Capital Assets</u>				
Construction in Progress	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
Buildings	49748	399672	1200	448220
Furniture and Other Equipment	664180	10795	-0-	674975
Sewer Mains/Lines	<u>9085</u>	<u>-0-</u>	<u>-0-</u>	<u>9085</u>
Total Other Capital Assets	723013	410467	1200	1132280
<u>Less Accumulated Depreciation for:</u>				
Buildings	(14149)	(6780)	(996)	(19933)
Furniture and Other Equipment	(391322)	(42039)	-0-	(433361)
Sewer Mains/Lines	<u>(426)</u>	<u>(140)</u>	<u>-0-</u>	<u>(566)</u>
Total Accumulated Depreciation	(405897)	(48959)	(996)	(453860)
Other Capital Assets, Net	317116	361508	204	678420
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ <u>339965</u>	\$ <u>361508</u>	\$ <u>204</u>	\$ <u>701269</u>

Depreciation was charged to governmental functions as allocated.

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
(CONTINUED)**

MARCH 31, 2008

NOTE H - CAPITAL ASSETS (CONTINUED)

BUSINESS-TYPE ACTIVITIES

There are no capital assets or depreciation for the business-type activities for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2008.

NOTE I - LONG-TERM DEBT – BUSINESS-TYPE ACTIVITIES

	Balance March 31, <u>2007</u>	<u>Increases</u>	<u>Decreases</u>	Balance March 31, <u>2008</u>
<u>BUSINESS-TYPE ACTIVITIES</u>				
2007 Limited Tax General Obligation Bonds	\$ <u>-0-</u>	\$ <u>276000</u>	\$ <u>-0-</u>	\$ <u>276000</u>
Total	\$ <u><u>-0-</u></u>	\$ <u><u>276000</u></u>	\$ <u><u>-0-</u></u>	\$ <u><u>276000</u></u>

2007 LIMITED TAX GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND

In July 11, 2007 pursuant to the provisions of Act 34, Public Acts of Michigan, 2001, as amended, the Township of Mastodon approved the issuance of 2007 Limited Tax General Obligation Bonds in the amount of \$ 276,000 for the purpose of paying the cost of acquisition, construction, furnishing and equipping of a new community building and related improvements.

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
(CONTINUED)**

MARCH 31, 2008

NOTE I - LONG-TERM DEBT – BUSINESS-TYPE ACTIVITIES

2007 LIMITED TAX GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND

(Continued)

Interest is payable on the Bond at the rate of four and one-quarter percent (4.25%) per annum, first payable on January 01, 2008 and semi-annually thereafter on July and January of each year, with the option of prepayment of principal installments on the Bond in inverse chronological order on any date on or after July 01, 2008, at par and accrued interest to the date fixed for prepayment.

Scheduled payments of principal and interest are as follows:

	<u>January 01</u>		<u>July 01</u>		
	<u>Interest</u>		<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Total</u>
2008	\$		\$ 5000.00	\$ 5865.00	\$ 10865.00
2009	5758.75		5000.00	5758.75	16517.50

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
(CONTINUED)**

MARCH 31, 2008

NOTE I - LONG-TERM DEBT – BUSINESS-TYPE ACTIVITIES (CONTINUED)

**2007 LIMITED TAX GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND
(Continued)**

	<u>January 01</u>		<u>July 01</u>	
	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Total</u>
2010	\$ 5652.50	\$ 5000.00	\$ 5652.50	\$ 16305.00
2011	5546.25	5000.00	5546.25	16092.50
2012	5440.00	6000.00	5440.00	16880.00
2013	5312.50	6000.00	5312.50	16625.00
2014	5185.00	6000.00	5185.00	16370.00
2015	5057.50	7000.00	5057.50	17115.00
2016	4908.75	7000.00	4908.75	16817.50
2017	4760.00	7000.00	4760.00	16520.00
2018-2022	21335.00	42000.00	21335.00	84670.00
2023-2027	16553.75	50000.00	16553.75	83107.50
2028-2032	10880.00	58000.00	10880.00	79760.00
2033-2037	<u>4335.00</u>	<u>67000.00</u>	<u>4335.00</u>	<u>75670.00</u>
	\$ 100725.00	\$ 276000.00	\$ 106590.00	\$ 483315.00

TOWNSHIP OF MASTODON

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
(CONTINUED)**

MARCH 31, 2008

NOTE J - SEGMENT INFORMATION - Enterprise Fund

	<u>Water Fund</u>
Operating Revenues	\$ 5937
Depreciation and Amortization Expense	0
Operating Income or (Loss)	529
Operating Grants, Entitlements, and Shared Revenues	0
Operating Transfers:	
In	0
(Out)	0
Tax Revenues	0
Net Income or Loss	583
Current Capital:	
Contributions	0
Transfers	0
Property, Plant, and Equipment	
Additions	0
Deletions	0
Net Working Capital	7333
Total Assets	7658

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TOWNSHIP OF MASTODON

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
(CONTINUED)**

MARCH 31, 2008

NOTE J - SEGMENT INFORMATION - Enterprise Fund (CONTINUED)

	<u>Water Fund</u>
Bonds and Other Long Term	\$
Liabilities	
Payable from operating Revenue	325
Payable from Other Sources	0
Total Equity	\$ 7333

NOTE K - SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

Subsequent events have a material effect on the financial statements which requires adjustment or disclosure. They relate to events that provide additional evidence with respect to conditions that existed at the date of the balance sheet and events that provide evidence with respect to conditions that did not exist at the date of the balance sheet but arose subsequent to that date.

TOWNSHIP OF MASTODON

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
(CONTINUED)**

MARCH 31, 2008

NOTE K - SUBSEQUENT EVENTS (CONTINUED)

At fiscal year ended March 31, 2008, there were no subsequent events that would have a significant effect on the Township's operations.

NOTE L - COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

There are no commitments or contingencies to be reported for the **Township of Mastodon** for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2008.

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

TOWNSHIP OF MASTODON

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE - GENERAL FUND

YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2008

	<u>Original Budget</u>	<u>Final Amended Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>
<u>REVENUE</u>			
General property taxes	\$ 131,530	\$ 131,530	\$ 139,059
Other local taxes	26,585	26,585	27,753
Tax collection and administration fees	24,639	24,639	24,217
Licenses, permits, and fees	1,000	1,000	2,114
Sale of property	-	-	22,000
Use of money and property	2,400	2,400	5,384
Miscellaneous	4,000	4,000	10,821
Intergovernmental	30,000	30,000	32,336
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Total Revenue	220,154	220,154	263,684
 <u>EXPENDITURES</u>			
General government	83,875	83,875	64,389
Legislative	28,910	28,910	18,952
Township property	61,379	61,379	23,739
Public works	23,262	23,262	16,682
Public safety	41,025	41,025	32,004
Parks and recreation	24,529	24,529	11,483
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Total Expenditures	262,980	262,980	167,249
 <u>OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)</u>			
Transfer Out - Capital Projects Fund	-	-	22,000
Transfer Out - Debt Service Fund	-	-	7,000
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Net Change in Fund Balance	(42,826)	(42,826)	67,435
 Fund Balance -Beginning of Year	 458,509	 458,509	 458,509
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Fund Balance - End of Year	<u>\$ 415,683</u>	<u>\$ 415,683</u>	<u>\$ 525,944</u>

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this report.

TOWNSHIP OF MASTODON

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE - ROAD FUND

YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2008

	<u>Original Budget</u>	<u>Final Amended Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>
<u>REVENUE</u>			
Property taxes	\$ 72,391	\$ 72,391	\$ 77,801
Other local taxes	402	402	1,522
Use of money and property	2,400	2,400	7,106
Intergovernmental	4,200	4,200	4,182
Miscellaneous	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Total Revenue	79,393	79,393	90,611
<u>EXPENDITURES</u>			
Public works	<u>216,270</u>	<u>216,270</u>	<u>-</u>
Total Expenditures	216,270	216,270	-
 Net Change in Fund Balance	 (136,877)	 (136,877)	 90,611
Fund Balance - Beginning of Year	<u>224,338</u>	<u>224,338</u>	<u>224,338</u>
Fund Balance - End of Year	<u>\$ 87,461</u>	<u>\$ 87,461</u>	<u>\$ 314,949</u>

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OTHER SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

TOWNSHIP OF MASTODON

OTHER SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

BALANCE SHEET - NON-MAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

MARCH 31, 2008

	<u>Liquor Law Enforcement Fund</u>	<u>Debt Service Fund</u>	<u>Total</u>
<u>ASSETS</u>			
Cash and Investments (Note C)	\$ (327)	\$ 1,508	\$ 1,181
Due from Other Funds	<u>793</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>793</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$ 466</u>	<u>\$ 1,508</u>	<u>\$ 1,974</u>
<u>LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES</u>			
Liabilities			
Accrued payroll taxes	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Total Liabilities	-	-	-
Fund Balances			
Reserved for Liquor Law Enforcement	466	-	466
Reserved for Debt Service	<u>-</u>	<u>1,508</u>	<u>1,508</u>
Total Fund Balances	466	1,508	1,974
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE	<u>\$ 466</u>	<u>\$ 1,508</u>	<u>\$ 1,974</u>

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TOWNSHIP OF MASTODON

OTHER SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - NON-MAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2008

	<u>Liquor Law Enforcement Fund</u>	<u>Debt Service Fund</u>	<u>Total</u>
<u>REVENUE</u>			
Intergovernmental	\$ 330	\$ -	\$ 330
TOTAL REVENUE	\$ 330	\$ -	\$ 330
<u>EXPENDITURES</u>			
Public safety	323	-	323
Debt Service			
Interest	-	5,592	5,592
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 323	\$ 5,592	\$ 5,915
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over Expenditures	7	(5,592)	(5,585)
<u>OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)</u>			
Operating Transfers In (Out)	-	7,000	7,000
Excess of Revenues and Other Sources Over (Under) Expenditures and Other Uses	7	1,408	1,415
FUND BALANCE - BEGINNING OF YEAR	459	100	559
FUND BALANCE - END OF YEAR	\$ 466	\$ 1,508	\$ 1,974

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TOWNSHIP OF MASTODON

COMBINING BALANCE SHEET - ALL SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS

MARCH 31, 2008

	LIQUOR LAW ENFORCEMENT FUND	ROAD REPAIR FUND	TOTAL
<u>ASSETS</u>			
Cash	\$ (327)	\$ 306,262	\$ 305,935
Delinquent Taxes Receivable	-	4,250	4,250
Due from Other Funds	793	4,437	5,230
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TOTAL ASSETS	<u><u>\$ 466</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 314,949</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 315,415</u></u>
 <u>FUND EQUITY</u>			
Fund Balance			
Reserved for Liquor Law Enforcement	466	-	466
Reserved for Road Maintenance and Improvement	-	314,949	314,949
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TOTAL FUND EQUITY	<u><u>\$ 466</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 314,949</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 315,415</u></u>

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TOWNSHIP OF MASTODON

**COMBINING STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND
BALANCE – ALL SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS**

FISCAL YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2008

	LIQUOR LAW ENFORCEMENT FUND	ROAD REPAIR FUND	TOTAL
<u>REVENUES</u>			
Taxes	\$ -	\$ 79,323	\$ 79,323
State Revenue	330	4,182	4,512
Interest	-	7,106	7,106
Miscellaneous	-	-	-
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TOTAL REVENUES	\$ 330	\$ 90,611	\$ 90,941
 <u>EXPENDITURES</u>			
Salaries	300	-	300
Fringe Benefits	23	-	23
Maintenance and Repair	-	-	-
Contract Services	-	-	-
Capital Outlay	-	-	-
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TOTAL EXPENDITURES	323	-	323
 Excess of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	 7	 90,611	 90,618
 FUND BALANCE, APRIL 1	 <hr/> 459	 <hr/> 224,338	 <hr/> 224,797
FUND BALANCE, MARCH 31	<u><u>\$ 466</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 314,949</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 315,415</u></u>

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TOWNSHIP OF MASTODON

BALANCE SHEET - GENERAL FUND*MARCH 31, 2008***ASSETS**

Cash and Deposits	\$ 489,903
Receivables:	
Taxes	7,598
Assessments	190
Due From Other Funds	<u>30,380</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$ 528,071</u>

LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY**LIABILITIES**

Accounts Payable	-
Due To Other Funds	<u>2,127</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES	2,127

FUND EQUITY

Fund Balance	<u>525,944</u>
TOTAL FUND EQUITY	525,944
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY	<u>\$ 528,071</u>

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TOWNSHIP OF MASTODON

**STATEMENT OF REVENUE S – GENERAL FUND
ACTUAL AND BUDGET**

FISCAL YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2008

	<u>ACTUAL</u>	<u>BUDGET</u>	<u>VARIANCE FAVORABLE (UNFAVORABLE)</u>
<u>TAXES</u>			
Current Property Taxes	\$ 139,059	\$ 131,530	\$ 7,529
Administrative Fees	21,665	24,290	(2,625)
State Payment in Lieu of Taxes /Swamp Tax	20,779	20,779	-
Commercial Forest	1,795	718	1,077
Lake Mary - Fire Assessment	5,179	5,088	91
Interest and Penalties on Taxes	<u>2,552</u>	<u>349</u>	<u>2,203</u>
TOTAL TAXES	191,029	182,754	8,275
 <u>STATE-SHARED RECEIPTS</u>			
Sales Tax	<u>32,336</u>	<u>30,000</u>	<u>2,336</u>
TOTAL STATE-SHARED RECEIPTS	32,336	30,000	2,336
 <u>INTEREST AND RENTAL</u>			
Interest	<u>5,384</u>	<u>2,400</u>	<u>2,984</u>
TOTAL INTEREST AND RENTAL	5,384	2,400	2,984
 <u>OTHER REVENUE</u>			
Zoning Permits/Fees	2,114	1,000	1,114
Sale of Assets	22,000	-	22,000
Miscellaneous Grants	1,000	-	1,000
Miscellaneous	<u>9,821</u>	<u>4,000</u>	<u>5,821</u>
TOTAL OTHER REVENUE	34,935	5,000	29,935
 TOTAL REVENUES	<u>\$ 263,684</u>	<u>\$ 220,154</u>	<u>\$ 43,530</u>

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this report.

TOWNSHIP OF MASTODON

STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES – GENERAL FUND
ACTUAL AND BUDGET

FISCAL YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2008

	<u>ACTUAL</u>	<u>BUDGET</u>	<u>VARIANCE FAVORABLE (UNFAVORABLE)</u>
<u>LEGISLATIVE</u>			
<u>Township Board</u>			
Salaries	\$ 1,350	\$ -	\$ -
Fringe Benefits	103		
Supplies	2,310	-	-
Travel	52		
Printing/Publishing	211		
Legal	1,560	-	-
Audit	5,944		
Professional Fees	4,928	-	-
Insurance	1,084		
Telephone	1,287	-	-
Miscellaneous	123		
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TOTAL LEGISLATIVE	\$ 18,952	\$ 28,910	\$ 9,958
<u>GENERAL GOVERNMENT</u>			
<u>Supervisor</u>			
Salaries	8,400	-	-
Fringe Benefits	643		
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Total Supervisor	9,043	9,350	307
<u>Assessor</u>			
Professional Fees/Contract Labor	12,957	-	-
Supplies	886		
Miscellaneous	486		
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Total Assessor	14,329	17,150	2,821
<u>Elections</u>			
Wages	811	-	-
Supplies	244		
Printing/Publishing	495	-	-
Miscellaneous	166		
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Total Elections	\$ 1,716	\$ 6,800	\$ 5,084

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TOWNSHIP OF MASTODON

**STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES – GENERAL FUND
ACTUAL AND BUDGET
(CONTINUED)**

FISCAL YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2008

	<u>ACTUAL</u>	<u>BUDGET</u>	<u>VARIANCE FAVORABLE (UNFAVORABLE)</u>
<u>GENERAL GOVERNMENT (CONTINUED)</u>			
<u>Clerk</u>			
Salaries	\$ 10,320	\$ -	\$ -
Fringe Benefits	789		
Supplies	280	-	-
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Total Clerk	11,389	12,907	1,518
<u>Treasurer</u>			
Salaries	11,905	-	-
Fringe Benefits	911		
Supplies	2,651	-	-
Printing/Publishing	33		
Travel	218	-	-
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Total Treasurer	15,718	21,760	6,042
<u>Cemetery</u>			
Professional Fees	6,058		
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Total Cemetery	6,058	6,058	-
<u>Board of Review</u>			
Salaries	544	-	-
Fringe Benefits	42		
Printing/Publishing	132	-	-
Travel	64		
Membership Dues/Education	70		
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Total Board of Review	\$ 852	\$ 1,450	\$ 598

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this report.

TOWNSHIP OF MASTODON

**STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES – GENERAL FUND
ACTUAL AND BUDGET
(CONTINUED)**

FISCAL YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2008

	<u>ACTUAL</u>	<u>BUDGET</u>	<u>VARIANCE FAVORABLE (UNFAVORABLE)</u>
<u>GENERAL GOVERNMENT (CONTINUED)</u>			
<u>Zoning</u>			
Salaries	\$ 4,055	\$ -	\$ -
Fringe Benefits	310		
Supplies	43	-	-
Travel	303		
Printing/Publishing	237	-	-
Membership Dues/Education	261		
Telephone	75	-	-
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Total Zoning	5,284	8,400	3,116
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TOTAL GENERAL GOVERNMENT	\$ 64,389	\$ 83,875	\$ 19,486
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<u>TOWNSHIP PROPERTY</u>			
<u>Township Hall</u>			
Salaries	10,337	-	-
Fringe Benefits	3,198		
Supplies	801	-	-
Contract Services	430	-	-
Insurance	3,363		
Utilities	3,858	-	-
Telephone	24		
Maintenance and Repair	1,024	-	-
Miscellaneous	704	-	-
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TOTAL TOWNSHIP PROPERTY	\$ 23,739	\$ 61,379	\$ 37,640
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<u>DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS</u>			
<u>Garage/Equipment</u>			
Salaries	7,308	-	-
Fringe Benefits	1,047		
Supplies	58		
Utilities	3,016	-	-
Telephone	86		
Street Lighting	2,161		
Insurance	1,214		
Gas, Fuel and Oil	1,444	-	-
Maintenance and Repair	348	-	-
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TOTAL DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS	\$ 16,682	\$ 23,262	\$ 6,580
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TOWNSHIP OF MASTODON

STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES – GENERAL FUND
ACTUAL AND BUDGET
(CONTINUED)

FISCAL YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2008

	<u>ACTUAL</u>	<u>BUDGET</u>	<u>VARIANCE FAVORABLE (UNFAVORABLE)</u>
<u>PUBLIC SAFETY</u>			
<u>Fire</u>			
Salaries	\$ 2,940	\$ -	\$ -
Fringe Benefits	225		
Supplies	4,858		
Printing/Publishing	180	-	-
Membership Dues/Education	243		
Contract Services	5,058		
Gas, Fuel and Oil	1,270	-	-
Maintenance and Repair	2,827		
Insurance	6,620		
Telephone	519	-	-
Utilities	5,731		
Miscellaneous/Other	633		
Capital Outlay	900		
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TOTAL PUBLIC SAFETY	\$ 32,004	\$ 41,025	\$ 9,021
<u>RECREATION AND CULTURAL</u>			
<u>Parks/Recreation</u>			
Salaries	3,682	-	-
Fringe Benefits	245		
Supplies	17		
Contract Services	1,000	-	-
Insurance	1,577		
Maintenance and Repair	140		
Utilities	1,751	-	-
Telephone	459		
Miscellaneous	180		
Capital Outlay	2,432	-	-
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TOTAL RECREATION AND CULTURAL	\$ 11,483	\$ 24,529	\$ 13,046
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 167,249	\$ 262,980	\$ 95,731
<u>OTHER FINANCING USES</u>			
Transfer Out - Capital Projects Fund	22,000	-	-
Transfer Out - Debt Service Fund	7,000	-	-
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TOTAL OTHER FINANCING USES	\$ 29,000	\$ -	\$ (29,000)
TOTAL EXPENDITURES AND OTHER FINANCING USES	<u>\$ 196,249</u>	<u>\$ 262,980</u>	<u>\$ 66,731</u>

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TOWNSHIP OF MASTODON

BALANCE SHEET - LIQUOR LAW ENFORCEMENT FUND

MARCH 31, 2008

ASSETS

Cash	\$ (327)
Due From Other Funds	<u>793</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$ 466</u>

FUND EQUITY

Fund Balance - Reserved	<u>466</u>
TOTAL FUND EQUITY	<u>\$ 466</u>

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TOWNSHIP OF MASTODON

**STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE –
LIQUOR LAW ENFORCEMENT FUND**

ACTUAL AND BUDGET

FISCAL YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2008

	<u>ACTUAL</u>	<u>BUDGET</u>	VARIANCE FAVORABLE (UNFAVORABLE)
<u>REVENUES</u>			
State Grants	\$ 330	\$ -	\$ -
 TOTAL REVENUES	 \$ 330	 \$ 335	 \$ (5)
 <u>EXPENDITURES</u>			
Salaries	300		
Fringe Benefits	<u>23</u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
 TOTAL EXPENDITURES	 \$ 323	 \$ 325	 \$ 2
 Excess of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	 7	 10	 (3)
 FUND BALANCE, APRIL 1	 <u>459</u>		
 FUND BALANCE, MARCH 31	 <u>\$ 466</u>		

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TOWNSHIP OF MASTODON

BALANCE SHEET – ROAD REPAIR FUND

MARCH 31, 2008

ASSETS

Cash	\$ 306,262
Delinquent Taxes Receivable	4,250
Due From Other Funds	<u>4,437</u>

TOTAL ASSETS

\$ 314,949

FUND EQUITY

Fund Balance - Reserved	<u>314,949</u>
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TOTAL FUND EQUITY

\$ 314,949

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TOWNSHIP OF MASTODON

**STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE - ROAD
REPAIR FUND
ACTUAL AND BUDGET**

FISCAL YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2008

	<u>ACTUAL</u>	<u>BUDGET</u>	<u>VARIANCE FAVORABLE (UNFAVORABLE)</u>
<u>REVENUES</u>			
Property Taxes	\$ 77,801	\$ -	\$ -
Penalties and Interest on Taxes	676		
Commercial Forest	846		
Metro Act	4,182		
Interest	7,106		
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TOTAL REVENUES	\$ 90,611	\$ 77,480	\$ 13,131
 <u>EXPENDITURES</u>			
Contracted Services	-	-	-
Maintenance	-		
Capital Outlay	-		
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TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ -	\$ 159,822	\$ 159,822
 Excess of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	 90,611	 (82,342)	 172,953
 FUND BALANCE, APRIL 1	 <hr/> 224,338		
 FUND BALANCE, MARCH 31	 <u><u>\$ 314,949</u></u>		

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TOWNSHIP OF MASTODON

BALANCE SHEET – DEBT SERVICE FUND

MARCH 31, 2008

ASSETS

Cash and Deposits	<u>\$ 1,508</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u><u>\$ 1,508</u></u>

FUND EQUITY

Fund Balance, Reserved	<u>\$ 1,508</u>
TOTAL FUND EQUITY	<u><u>\$ 1,508</u></u>

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TOWNSHIP OF MASTODON

**STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE – DEBT
SERVICE FUND**

FISCAL YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2008

<u>REVENUES</u>	<u>-</u>
TOTAL REVENUES	\$ -
 <u>EXPENDITURES</u>	
Interest	<u>5,592</u>
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 5,592
 Excess of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	 (5,592)
 <u>OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)</u>	
Operating Transfers In (Out)	7,000
 Excess of Revenues and Other Sources Over (Under) Expenditures and Other Uses	 1,408
 FUND BALANCE, APRIL 1	<u>100</u>
FUND BALANCE, MARCH 31	<u>\$ 1,508</u>

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TOWNSHIP OF MASTODON

BALANCE SHEET – CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND

MARCH 31, 2008

ASSETS

Cash	<u>\$ 760</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$ 760</u>

FUND EQUITY

Fund Balance, Reserved	<u>760</u>
TOTAL FUND EQUITY	<u>\$ 760</u>

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TOWNSHIP OF MASTODON

**STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE –
CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND**

FISCAL YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2008

<u>REVENUES</u>	<u>-</u>
TOTAL REVENUES	\$ -
 <u>EXPENDITURES</u>	
Capital Outlay	<u>397,240</u>
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 397,240
 Excess of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	 (397,240)
 <u>OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)</u>	
Operating Transfers In (Out)	22,000
Bond Proceeds	276,000
 Excess of Revenues and Other Sources Over (Under) Expenditures and Other Uses	 (99,240)
 FUND BALANCE, APRIL 1	<u>100,000</u>
FUND BALANCE, MARCH 31	<u>\$ 760</u>

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TOWNSHIP OF MASTODON

BALANCE SHEET - WATER FUND*MARCH 31, 2008***ASSETS**

Cash and Deposits:

Restricted

\$ -

Unrestricted

6,254

Accounts Receivable

99

Due from Other Funds

1,305**TOTAL ASSETS****\$ 7,658****LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY****LIABILITIES**

Deferred Revenue

325**TOTAL LIABILITIES****325****FUND EQUITY**

Retained Earnings

Restricted for Water System Repairs/Improvements

7,333**TOTAL FUND EQUITY****7,333****TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY****\$ 7,658**

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TOWNSHIP OF MASTODON

**STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES, AND CHANGES IN RETAINED EARNINGS -
WATER FUND**

YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2008

OPERATING REVENUE

Charges for Services	\$ 5,937
Miscellaneous Revenue	-
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TOTAL OPERATING REVENUE	\$ 5,937

OPERATING EXPENSES

Personal Services	33
Administrative and Clerical	-
Professional Fees/Contract Labor	4,441
Other Supplies and Expenses	934
Depreciation	-
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TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	\$ 5,408

Operating Profit (Loss)	529
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Other Revenue

Interest Revenue	54
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NET PROFIT (LOSS)	583
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RETAINED EARNINGS, APRIL 1	<u>6,750</u>
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RETAINED EARNINGS, MARCH 31	<u><u>\$ 7,333</u></u>
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TOWNSHIP OF MASTODON

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS- WATER FUND*FISCAL YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2008***CASH FLOWS FROM (USED BY)****OPERATING ACTIVITIES**

Net cash received from fees and services	\$ 6,153
Other operating revenues	
Cash payments to employees for services	(33)
Cash payments to goods and services	(5,375)
Other operating expenses	<u>-</u>

NET CASH FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES	\$ 745
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NON CAPITAL AND FINANCING ACTIVITIES

Increase (decrease) in due to other funds	
(Increase) decrease in due from other funds	(1,305)
Net operating transfers in (out)	<u>-</u>

NET CASH FROM NON CAPITAL AND FINANCING ACTIVITIES	(1,305)
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CAPITAL AND RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES

Acquisition and construction of capital assets	
Principal payment on long-term bonds	
Interest paid on long-term bonds	
Interest and tax expense	
Proceeds from borrowings	
Contributed capital grants	<u>-</u>

NET CASH USED BY CAPITAL AND RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES	-
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INVESTING ACTIVITIES

Interest Income	<u>54</u>
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NET CASH FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES	54
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NET INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	(506)
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Cash and Cash Equivalents, Beginning of Year	<u>6,760</u>
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Cash and Cash Equivalents, End of Year	\$ 6,254
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TOWNSHIP OF MASTODON

**STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
WATER FUND
(CONTINUED)**

FISCAL YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2008

**CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING
ACTIVITIES**

Operating Income	\$	529
Adjustment to reconcile operating income to net cash provided by operating activities:		
. Depreciation		-
. Provision for uncollectible accounts		
. Changes in assets and liabilities :		
(Increase) Decrease in accounts receivable		266
Increase (Decrease) in accounts payable		-
Increase (Decrease) in deferred revenue		(50)
Increase (Decrease) in customer deposits		-
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NET CASH FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES	\$	745

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TOWNSHIP OF MASTODON

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN ASSETS AND LIABILITIES - TRUST AND AGENCY FUND

FISCAL YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2008

	<u>Balance</u> <u>3/31/2007</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Deductions</u>	<u>Balance</u> <u>3/31/2008</u>
<u>ASSETS</u>				
Cash	\$ 78,761	\$2,185,097	\$2,197,608	\$ 66,250
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$ 78,761</u>	<u>\$2,185,097</u>	<u>\$2,197,608</u>	<u>\$ 66,250</u>
<u>LIABILITIES</u>				
Due to Other Funds	34,489	252,335	252,036	34,788
Due to State of Michigan	-	13,453	13,453	-
Due to Schools	13,466	848,437	848,809	13,094
Due to DIISD	4,876	111,648	122,303	(5,779)
Due to County	12,948	955,526	958,694	9,780
Due to Other	12,982	3,697	2,312	14,367
TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u>\$ 78,761</u>	<u>\$2,185,096</u>	<u>\$2,197,607</u>	<u>\$ 66,250</u>

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TOWNSHIP OF MASTODON

**ALPHA MASTODON TOWNSHIP FIRE DEPARTMENT – BALANCE SHEET - DISCRETELY
PRESENTED COMPONENT UNIT**

MARCH 31, 2008

ASSETS

Current Assets

Cash and cash equivalents	<u>\$ 3,577</u>
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Total Current Assets	<u>3,577</u>
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TOTAL ASSETS	<u><u>\$ 3,577</u></u>
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FUND EQUITY

Fund Balance, Unreserved	<u>3,577</u>
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TOTAL FUND EQUITY	<u><u>\$ 3,577</u></u>
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TOWNSHIP OF MASTODON

**ALPHA MASTODON TOWNSHIP FIRE DEPARTMENT – STATEMENT OF REVENUES,
EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE - DISCRETELY PRESENTED
COMPONENT UNIT**

FISCAL YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2008

REVENUES

Fund raising	\$ 3,232
Grant revenue	9,400
Other - Donations	600
	600

TOTAL REVENUES	\$ 13,232
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EXPENDITURES

<u>Fund-Raising</u>	
Special events	2,122
	2,122

Total Fund-Raising	2,122
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<u>Grant Expenditures</u>	
Capital Outlay	9,895
	9,895

Total Public Safety	9,895
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TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 12,017
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Excess of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	\$ 1,215
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FUND BALANCE, April 1	2,362
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FUND BALANCE, March 31	\$ 3,577
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**INDEPENDENTS AUDITOR'S REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING
AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL
STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH *GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS***

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH *GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS*

Governing Board
Township of Mastodon
Crystal Falls, Michigan 49920

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, the aggregate discretely presented component unit, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the **Township of Mastodon**, Crystal Falls, Michigan, as of and for the year ended March 31, 2008, which collectively comprise the **Township of Mastodon**, Crystal Falls, Michigan's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated July 14, 2008. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States of America, and with the standards prescribed by the State Treasurer.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the **Township of Mastodon**, Crystal Falls, Michigan's internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing opinions on the effectiveness of the **Township of Mastodon**, Crystal Falls, Michigan's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we do not express opinions on the effectiveness of the **Township of Mastodon**, Crystal Falls, Michigan's internal control over financial reporting.

A control deficiency exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect misstatements on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a control deficiency, or combination of control deficiencies, that adversely affects the **Township of Mastodon**, Crystal Falls, Michigan's ability to initiate, authorize, record, process, or report financial data reliably in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles such that there is more than a remote likelihood that a misstatement of the **Township of Mastodon**, Crystal Falls, Michigan's financial statements that is more than inconsequential will not be prevented or detected by the **Township of Mastodon**, Crystal Falls, Michigan's internal control.

A material weakness is a significant deficiency, or combination of significant deficiencies, that results in more than a remote likelihood that a material misstatement of the financial statements will not be prevented or detected by the **Township of Mastodon**, Crystal Falls, Michigan's internal control.

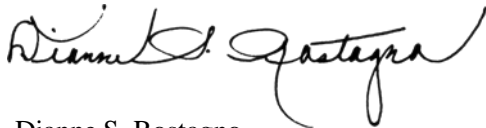
Our consideration of internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that we consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the **Township of Mastodon**, Crystal Falls, Michigan's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

We noted certain matters that we reported to management of the **Township of Mastodon**, Crystal Falls, Michigan, in a separate letter dated July 14, 2008.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of management, the Governing Board, and federal awarding agencies and pass-through entities, and it is not intended to be, and should not be, used by anyone other than these specified parties.

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Dianne S. Rostagno
DS ROSTAGNO, CPA, P.C.

July 14, 2008

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Governing Board
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In planning and performing the audit of the financial statements of the **Township of Mastodon**, Crystal Falls, Michigan as of and for the year ended March 31, 2008, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, we considered the Township's internal control structure to plan the auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements and not to provide assurance on the internal control structure. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the **Township of Mastodon**, Crystal Falls, Michigan's internal control over financial reporting.

Our consideration of internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the preceding paragraph and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses.

A control deficiency exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect misstatements on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a control deficiency, or combination of control deficiencies, that adversely affects the **Township of Mastodon**, Crystal Falls, Michigan's ability to initiate, authorize, record, process, or report financial data reliably in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles such that there is more than a remote likelihood that a misstatement of the **Township of Mastodon**, Crystal Falls, Michigan's financial statements that is more than inconsequential will not be prevented or detected by the **Township of Mastodon**, Crystal Falls, Michigan's internal control.

A material weakness is a significant deficiency, or combination of significant deficiencies, that results in more than a remote likelihood that a material misstatement of the financial statements will not be prevented or detected by the **Township of Mastodon**, Crystal Falls, Michigan's internal control.

During our audit, we noted certain matters involving the internal control structure and other operational matters that are presented for your consideration. They are divided into three categories: significant deficiencies, material weaknesses, and other matters.

MATERIAL WEAKNESS

There are no matters to report.

SIGNIFICANT DEFICIENCIES

New Comments

Ability to Prepare Financial Statements and Related Note Disclosures

Like other local units of government of similar size, limited financial summaries and abbreviated financial statements are made available for the Board members. The Township relies on auditors to draft its financial statements and related disclosures in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. Board members review and accept the financial statements on behalf of the Township. The hiring of additional personnel to prepare the financial statements would not be cost effective.

Recommendation

Members of the Board should remain involved in the financial reporting process to provide an oversight function. Township officials agree and will continue to use the auditor's assistance in drafting its financial statements and will remain involved in the financial reporting process.

Audit Adjustments

The Township relies on its auditors to prepare year-end non-recurring adjusting journal entries to adjust its financial statements. Board members review and accept the adjusting entries on behalf of the Township.

Recommendation

Members of the Board should continue to review and approve non-recurring entries. Township officials agree and will continue to use the auditor's assistance in preparing year-end adjusting journal entries.

Significant Deficiencies Communicated in Prior Years

There are no matters to report.

OTHER MATTERS

New Comments

BUDGETS

During the fiscal year ended March 31, 2008, the Township had two expenditures in excess of the amounts appropriated.

Recommendation

It is recommended that the budgeted amounts be compared to actual expenditures and the budget amended accordingly.

OTHER MATTERS (Continued)

Matters Communicated in Prior Years (Continued)

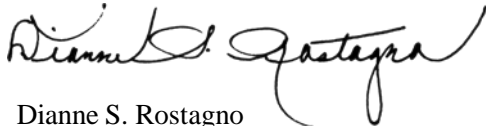
There were no matters to report.

This letter does not affect our report dated July 14, 2008 on the financial statements of the **Township of Mastodon**, Crystal Falls, Michigan. We will review the status of these comments during our next audit engagement. Our comments and recommendations, which have been discussed with appropriate Township officials, are intended to improve the internal control structure or result in other operating efficiencies. We will be pleased to discuss these comments in further detail at your convenience, or to assist you in implementing the recommendations.

It has been a pleasure working with Township officials, and we wish to express our appreciation for their cooperation and assistance during the audit engagement.

This communication is intended solely for the information and use of management, those charged with governance, and others within the organization and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Yours very truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Dianne S. Rostagno", written in a cursive style.

Dianne S. Rostagno
DS ROSTAGNO, CPA, P.C.

July 14, 2008